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GENERAL NOTICES.

Great Western Railway.

The inspection of the Suspension Bridge across the Niagara River, of which due notice has been given to the public, having been completed by three competent engineers, they unanimously recommend the resumption of passenger traffic. the Company now give notice that, on and after the 23th of April instant, their passenger trains will again be run via Suspension Bridge.

F. BROUGHTON,
General Manager, Hamilton.

GENERAL OFFICES,
HAMILTON, April 20, 1877.

Office of the County Treasurer and County Collector, Cook County, Illinois.

CHICAGO, April 23, 1877.—I would respectfully remind all parties who have not yet paid their personal property taxes, that the same must be paid without delay. In pursuance of the Revised Statutes, I have appointed a number of Deputies to make levies, and I hope all delinquents will come forward and settle without further expense to themselves, and a very unpleasant duty to my Deputies.

L. C. HUCK, County Collector.

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## THE WAR.

Eighty Thousand Russian Troops Now in Roumania.

Galatz, on the River Danube, Said to Be Their Destination.

The First Great Battle Likely to Be Fought Near That Place.

Turkish Dispatches Claim a Victory on the Asiatic Frontier.

The Early Bombardment of Odessa and Other Russian Ports Predicted.

Reply of the Porte to the Czar's War Manifesto.

Assistance from the Powers Claimed Under the Treaty of Paris.

Text of the Sultan's Proclamation to the Turkish Army.

Von Moltke Makes a Reassuring Explanation of His Recent Speech.

Speculations as to the Ultimate Course to Be Taken by Austria.

What the Several Great Powers Have to Gain or Lose.

### THE ARMIES.

REPORTED ENGAGEMENT.

CONSTANTINOPLE, April 26.—Newspapers report that an engagement has taken place on the Asiatic frontier, near Ardahan, and the Russians were compelled to fall back.

TURKISH ACCOUNT.

CONSTANTINOPLE, April 26.—The following announcement is official:

Server Pasha has addressed the following dispatch to the Turkish Ambassador at London: "The first engagement has just been fought at Tehurukson, near Batoum. After some fighting the enemy was defeated and put to rout with a loss of 800."

RUSSIAN TROOPS IN ROUMANIA.

BUCHAREST, April 24.—The number of Russians who have entered Roumania is estimated at 80,000. They are concentrating at Barboschi. No Russians have crossed the Sereth or Danube.

LONDON, April 26.—A dispatch from Pascani, Moldavia, Wednesday evening, says 15,000 Russians passed through Unghent, 10,000 through Leova, and 35,000 through Bolgrad. These troops are to effect a junction at Galatz and Braila.

KALAFAT.

Osman Pasha has addressed a proclamation to the inhabitants of Kalafaet, assuring them that they need not fear the Turks, who will occupy the town as friends.

A battle may be expected to take place at Tooicha, in the Dobrudscha, where an attempt of the Russians to cross the Danube may be looked for shortly.

A REPORT.

A Pesth special says it is feared that a Russian column has passed over the Danube near Gladova.

A NOTABLE INCIDENT.

VIENNA, April 26.—An incident is reported from Belgrade which creates a great sensation here. The Grand Vizier notified Servia that a Turkish detachment will occupy Gladova on account of the approach of the Russians from that side. Abdul Kerim telegraphed to the same effect to the Servian General who commands on the frontier. Servia has replied that she will resist by force of arms any attempt at the occupation of Gladova.

TELEGRAPH WIRES CUT.

CONSTANTINOPLE, April 26.—The telegraph wire at Ibrailo has been cut by Cossacks, who are 3,000 to 4,000 strong.

THE DANUBE ON THE RAMPAGE.

BUCHAREST, April 26.—Hobart Pasha has assured the British Consul at Galatz that he will not interfere with the neutral navigation of the Danube. The waters of the Danube are so high that pontooning would be extremely dangerous, and almost impossible below Widdin. The Turks have as yet made no attempt to cross. A tremendous storm of rain and wind was raging at Galatz last night.

### AT CONSTANTINOPLE.

A TURKISH APPEAL.

LONDON, April 26.—Turkey, in reply to the Russian manifesto, after quoting the eighth article of the Treaty of Paris, says: "Although it is not the Ottoman Government which threatens and takes the initiative of aggression, and although, consequently, it was by right the part of Russia to appeal to these stipulations of the treaty, the Imperial Government, in order to avoid all misunderstanding, applies to the signatory Powers to use their good offices in the grave circumstances in which it is placed, by applying the article before mentioned, and thus putting an end to the dangerous tension affecting the relations of the two States." The Porte expresses the conviction that the friendly Powers, true to the feeling of benevolent interest which they have never ceased to manifest to the Ottoman Empire, will seize this opportunity to arrest the outbreak of a great war, thus sparing these countries the painful extremities with which they are threatened, and Europe herself the trouble and danger resulting from a conflict between two States,—a conflict of which the Sublime Porte can justly repudiate entire responsibility.

The London *Times'* Paris correspondent remarks the objectiveness of this appeal, but thinks it comes too late.

A PROCLAMATION.

CONSTANTINOPLE, April 26—The Sultan has issued a proclamation to the officers and men of the fleet especially recommending them to protect the Mussulman population of the Crimean and Caucasian coasts, now groaning under the Russian yoke.

STATE OF SIEGE.

It is expected that a state of siege will shortly be proclaimed in Constantinople.

CONSTANTINOPLE, April 26.—The following is the full text of the Sultan's proclamation to the army:

"Russia has declared war. We are forced to take up arms. We have always wished peace, listening to the advice of the Powers in this respect, but Russia wants to destroy our independence, and so if Russia attacks us, God, who protects the right and justice, will grant us victory. Our soldiers will defend with their blood the country gained by their ancestors, and with the help of God maintain the independence of Osmanli. The nation will protect the wives and children of the soldiers. Should it be necessary, the Sultan will go to the army and raise the standard of the Khalifat and the Sultanat. The Sultan is ready to sacrifice his life for the honor and independence of the country."

THE TURKISH NAVY.

A dispatch from Pera says it is reported that the Turkish fleet, under command of Hobart Pasha, left on Tuesday night to take up position before Odessa.

A dispatch from Pera asserts that the Turkish fleet is bombarding Cheftetil.

A special from Pera confirms reports that Turkish ships have commenced an attack on Cheftetil.

The *Times* special from Pera reports that Hobart Pasha is at Rutschuk on board the iron-clad, and must force his way past Ibrailia and Galatz in front of the Russians in order to return to the Black Sea.

ANOTHER TURKISH NOTE.

LONDON, April 26.—A Paris dispatch gives the full text of another Turkish note protesting against Russia's entering Roumania before her declaration of war could reach Turkey as contrary to the rules usually observed by civilized states.

### THE WAR MANIFESTO.

BELGIAN COMMENT.

BRUSSELS, April 26.—*Le Nord*, the Russian organ, states that no disquietude should be caused by the absence in the Czar's manifesto and Gortschakoff's circular of engagement pledging Russia against the acquisition of territory. Russia naturally cannot bind himself beforehand by a declaration which would deprive her of one means of action against her adversary.

*Le Nord* is convinced that the balance of power on the Continent will not be affected by the conflict.

### ST. PETERSBURG.

PRESS COMMENTS.

LONDON, April 26.—A Berlin dispatch calls attention to the following notable passage in the St. Petersburg *Golos*, which is considered the chief Russian diplomatic organ: It remains for our diplomacy to determine whether military operations are to be carried on energetically and with the full strength of our active forces, or if we are to content ourselves with a predetermined movement for the occupation of a certain limited locality.

The Moscow *Gazette* is in despair at the latter contingency being suggested.

DEPARTURE OF THE TURKISH EMBASSY.

ST. PETERSBURG, April 26.—The Turkish Charge d'Affaires and staff of the Embassy left the city this morning.

### ROUMANIA.

PRINCE CHARLES' MESSAGE.

BUCHAREST, April 26.—At the opening of the extraordinary session of the Roumanian Chambers to-day, the message of Prince Charles was presented, who said: "Our presentation to the Porta and the Powers to obtain their recognition of the neutrality of Roumania was unsuccessful. Roumania, abandoned by all, must rely on her own resources. We must undergo every sacrifice to prevent Roumania from becoming the theatre of war. The Prince will fight if necessary for the integrity of the frontier. The Czar has declared that he had no intention of violating our rights. As proof of this Bucharest will not be occupied by the Russians. While waiting for the decision of the Chamber the Government has and will preserve the attitude of reserve."

### IN BERLIN.

VON MOLTKE EXPLAINS.

BERLIN, April 26.—In the Reichstag to-day during the debate on the budget Gen. Von Moltke took occasion to explain his speech of Tuesday. He stated that when he spoke of compensatory measures which must sooner or later be taken by Germany for the massing of the French troops near the frontier, he meant measures having no offensive or aggressive character. He added: "Our policy is necessarily pacific, without on that account renouncing our freedom of action." This was received by the House with cheers.

The budget was finally adopted.

### IN LONDON.

A BRITISH GROWL.

LONDON, April 26.—The *Times* in its leading article, reviewing the argument that the Czar was irresistibly impelled to war by the will of the people, says that "this is consistent and intelligible, but it is not the language of a reasonable being. It is the language of the northern hordes thrust or starved out of their forests to seek food wherever it could be found. The world will not long permit the earth to be desolated by a struggle begun in an interchange of defiances, and, if left to itself, pretty sure to last as long as one party has the strength to hurl defiance at the other."

VON MOLTKE'S SPEECH.

The *Times*, reviewing Gen. Von Moltke's speech in the German Parliament on Tuesday, says: "Gen. Von Moltke feels as we all feel. How easy it would be to extend the area of the war so as to include a majority of the European Powers. We have been told again and again that if peace was once broken we should enter upon a war of which no one could see the end. The German Government know this, and they desire to prepare for the worst while hoping for the best. We regret this policy, because they were apparently perfectly prepared before, and because preparations in critical times excites counter-preparations, and jealousy excites jealousy, until we bring upon us what we would prevent by our very anxiety to prevent it. But we do not interpret the speech as meaning anything more than the resolution of a strong man armed to hold his own in peace."

The *Times* also says Von Moltke's speech does not deprive us of the hope that the present war will remain localized, but it is a sore provocation to despair.

THE BRITISH NAVY.

LONDON, April 26.—The *Globe* publishes the following: "A telegram was received at Plymouth yesterday from the Controller of the Navy ordering full particulars to be sent him of all ships in reserve at Devonport which could possibly be made ready for sea by June 1."

The *Advertiser* understands that a declaration of neutrality will be immediately promulgated in the Queen's name, forbidding British subjects from aiding either belligerent.

IN PARLIAMENT.

The *Standard* reports that the leaders of the Opposition in the British Parliament have declined to accede to a request of several radical members to move a vote of want of confidence in the Ministry.

### VARIOUS.

MONTENEGRO DEFIANT.

PARIS, April 26.—A dispatch from Ragusa states that the Prince of Montenegro has sent a note to the Powers, accusing the Turks of having broken off the negotiations because Montenegro required that the refugees from Hersegovina should be restored to their homes and the Kutchi prisoners liberated. The Prince declares that, alone without allies, but relying on the abnegation of his subjects, he will, as in former times, desperately defend his territory against superior forces, hoping that if he is defeated Christian Europe will save the women and children.

SHORT OF FUNDS.

BUCHAREST, April 26.—It is stated that all foreign officers in the Turkish service are promptly paid, but native officers and soldiers are not paid at all.

WILL RESIGN.

A Belgrade dispatch says it is stated that Prime Minister Ristics intends to resign.

SPAIN.

LONDON, April 26.—A Madrid dispatch says Spain will send an iron-clad squadron to the Levant.

ITALY.

A correspondent at Rome telegraphs that there is great activity in Naples, where the Italian men-of-war are being prepared for sea.

GERMANY.

A Berlin dispatch reports that Germany intends to put into commission several additional men-of-war.

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE.

LONDON, April 26.—The *Post* in its financial article says in the afternoon there was a decided reaction on the Stock Exchange, on reports that the British Government was chartering vessels to convey troops to the East.

AUSTRIA'S OCCUPATION OF BOSNIA.

LONDON, April 26.—A correspondent at Vienna says: "I am authorized to state that Austria has no present intention of occupying Bosnia. She might, however, be induced to do so if the Czar, after a successful campaign, should not adhere to his engagement to avoid annexation."

Another correspondent telegraphs that Hungary is disposed to waive objection to the occupation of Bosnia by Austria, provided Servia be occupied simultaneously in order to prevent any Slavonic rebellion which might gather in South Hungary.

VARIOUS ITEMS.

A strong reserve force is being assembled near Kieff.

Torpedoes are being placed at exposed points on the Baltic shores.

The Roumanian militia is being rapidly mobilized.

LONDON, April 26.—It is rumored that the Khedive will send the Sultan 18,000 men.

Turkish troops are reported as occupying Kalafat.

Turkish vessels will be embargoed by Russia from the 1st of May.

The Imperial manifesto was read in all the churches of the Russian Empire and enthusiastically received.

The inhabitants of the Greek Island Hydra refused to obey the law calling out an extraordinary reserve, and destroyed the conscript-list and the telegraph line connecting the island with Athens.

LONDON, April 27.—The *Telegraph's* Paris correspondent says he has confirmation of the intelligence of threatening language used by Russia towards the Khedive. Russian reprisals would take the form of a blockade of Alexandria.

WAR WITH PERSIA.

The Russian telegraphic agency says war with Persia is expected in Turkey.

READING THE MANIFESTO.

NEW YORK, April 26.—The declaration of war by the Czar was read simultaneously on board the three vessels forming the Russian squadron in this port, and received with the loud huzzas of the officers and crews, followed by singing of the Te Deum and prayers for the success of the Muscovite arms.

### OURSELVES.

PROSPECTIVE DEMAND FOR BREADSTUFFS.

*Special Dispatch to The Tribune.*

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 26.—The effect of the European war on the grain product of the United States has been investigated by the Bureau of Statistics, and the result is altogether encouraging. It appears that from Sept. 1, 1876, to April 1 of this year,—the period since the harvest,—there have been placed in the English market from this country 49,751,000 bushels of wheat against 62,240,000 for the corresponding period of the year before, showing a decrease of over 13,000,000 of bushels in our exportation of wheat to England for the same date. The importation into Great Britain from other sources has been nearly 22,000,000 bushels against nearly 34,000,000 of the previous year. This shows that there is quite a deficit in England as compared with former years. The effect of the war will be to stimulate American expectations of grain very largely in the opinion of the Bureau.

Gen. Sherman thinks the war will be destructive and prolonged.

MINISTER MAYNARD.

It has been suggested that on account of the importance of the Turkish mission during the European war now just beginning, it might be desirable to have an abler representative than Minister, Maynard at Constantinople. It is learned from the State Department that Maynard has shown himself to be one of the most competent American representatives abroad. While in Congress he was more distinguished for his industry and the persistence with which he labored for any measure in which he was interested than for the breath of his ideas or the brilliancy of his talents. During his residence in Constantinople his dispatches to the State Department have been of a very satisfactory character. He has not, like Ministers, written simply for the purpose of lumbering up the files of the Department with information which is of no especial value to the Government, but when there has been occasion to communicate anything of interest he has done it in a very clear and satisfactory manner.

NAVAL PREPARATIONS.

*To the Western Associated Press.*

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 26.—The Secretary of the Navy has under consideration the question of asking Congress to appropriate $500,000 at the approaching extra session for the purpose of fitting out eight vessels to be held in readiness for service in case of emergency. It is feared that the Eastern troubles may possibly jeopardize American interests, and it is proposed to have the vessels ready to join the European and Asiatic stations.

NOT OFFICIALLY NOTIFIED.

The State Department has not yet received any official notification from either the Russian or Turkish Minister of the declaration of war.

It is probable our Government will send two or three officers abroad to observe the military operations between Russia and Turkey.

PRODUCE BUSINESS IN NEW YORK.

NEW YORK, April 26.—Business yesterday on the Produce Exchange is stated to be much larger than on any day for several years. Of grain, 300,000 bushels were sold; in provisions, 1,700 barrels of pork were sold at an advance of 50 cents per barrel, and 10,000 cases of lard at an advance of 37½ to 40 cents a case.

The Bothnia, which sailed yesterday, took 40,000 bushels of wheat and a large quantity of cotton and leather.

### SUGGESTIVE.

THE TRIPARTITE AGREEMENT.

*Special Dispatch to The Tribune.*

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 26.—A gentleman who has recently returned from Europe, and who had exceptional opportunities for gaining accurate official information, gives expression to the following opinions: "In 1875, at the interview at Berlin between Russia and Germany, it is stated that Germany had assumed a threatening attitude towards France. When the Russian Emperor reached Berlin, he at once publicly stated that the peace of Europe was assured, and could not be disturbed, and that there could be no conflict between France and Germany. What understanding was reached at that conference no one can tell except those who were parties to it. But the facts show that certainly some new line of policy was agreed upon between the two great Powers of Imperial Germany and Russia. A curious circumstance confirms this theory. But one single month elapsed from the time of this conference when the insurrection in Bosnia and Herzegovina broke out. There were no grievances in these provinces which had not existed for twenty years; there was no new burden more difficult to bear two years ago than there had been in the memory of the present generation; there was no specially new cause of dissatisfaction. There was no money and no arms. The insurrection, moreover, seemed to have been instigated by professional revolutionists, who had abundant means and plenty of arms. Where did that money come from? Whose money was it? The circumstance that this insurrection so rapidly followed that conference at once attracted the attention of political observers, and it was generally believed that there was a concerted action between the Courts of

BERLIN AND ST. PETERSBURG.

"The question at once arises, What will be the position of Austria? It is most probable that Austria favored the insurrection in Bosnia and Herzegovina, with what afterthoughts no one can as yet tell. One thing is certain, that early in 1876 Great Britain had a clear conception of the gravity of the situation.

"In the meantime the three Northern Powers met at Berlin and sent the Berlin memorandum, which contained a sort of invitation to Turkey to yield to the pressure of these three Powers.—Russia, Austria, and Germany. Great Britain, which had not been invited to attend the Conference, was requested to sign an ultimatum of that sort. This it is well known, Great Britain declined to do, and for a little time it seemed as if the great scheme was defeated. But a new element soon appeared in the field when Gladstone, in Great Britain, took up the case of the Bulgarian atrocities and began his campaign in favor of Russia. It was the great purpose of Russia to divide popular opinion in Great Britain, so that no stand could be made by the Government in support of Turkey, as has come into that poor, badly wounded. He and two others were attacked near the head of Badwater on the 16th. After a sharp fight the Indians killed his partners, and he escaped. There are three others of the same party not heard from.

### TELEGRAPHIC NOTES.

NEW YORK, April 26.—Caleb Cushing, ex-Minister to Spain, arrived here to-day.

*Special Dispatch to The Tribune.*

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., April 26.—The Auditor of the State to-day received patents from the Department of the Interior for eighty acres of swamp land in Bond and some in Montgomery Counties assigned to the State under the act of 1850. They are assigned to the respective counties under the legislative law of 1855.

else is not. If the former is the case, should Russia obtain important advantages in the East, and increase her territorial power, it may be considered as settled, in advance, that one day or another Germany will ask her reward for her neutrality in favor of Austria. Germany will most probably claim that the European equilibrium has been destroyed, and that Imperial Germany

MUST BE COMPENSATED

for what has been done. That compensation might be sought either in the readjustment of the boundaries of the German Empire in the direction of Austria, France, or the Netherlands. The fact that these boundaries have been altered within the last ten years would not be a practical element in such a demand, for the reason that Bismarck has already been shrewd enough to secure in writing from the principal Powers interested an approval of the rectification of frontiers occasioned by the wars of the last decade.

"2. If Russia is acting without the full knowledge and silent support of Germany, the situation is very different. Unless Russia has the absolute support on the part of the Berlin Government the Czar is exposing his Government to very grave dangers, especially if the campaign attempted on the Danube is not at once entirely successful. Any prolongation of a war of this kind would leave Russia exposed, with Germany and Austria on her flank, and the most dangerous consequences might result. But there is serious reason to believe that Russia has not exposed herself to any such contingencies. This conclusion may properly be based upon the known political and personal character of Gortschakoff, than whom there is no more prudent or cautious statesman in Europe. There seems therefore but little doubt of

A THOROUGH UNDERSTANDING

between Berlin and St. Petersburg.

"However, the main question, then much less between Turkey and Russia than it does between Russia and Austria. Any one looking at the map can easily himself upon this question. Austria, after being shut out from Italy by the wars of 1850-'66, and excluded from Germany almost by the war of 1866, if she is now to be shut off on the east by the territorial aggrandizement of Russia, is a doomed Power. The following question therefore may suggest itself: Will Austria submit and accept Russia's proposal, and surrender her territory from Bosnia and Herzegovina? This would meet with opposition on the part of Hungary, which would consider that such an annexation would destroy the equilibrium of the internal forces of the Austro-Hungarian Empire. If, on the other hand, Austria should allow Russia to extend her territory in the east of Europe, no doubt Austria's position would

BECOME EXTREMELY CRITICAL.

Such a course would greatly cripple her commercial relations, and would deprive Austria of much of the influence which she hitherto has wielded.

"For these reasons European diplomatists look at this side of the question with much more anxiety than they would at the war between Turkey and Russia, if that war was localized. Aside from the points indicated, everything is mere speculation. It is only probable that Bismarck will leave his retreat at Varzin as soon as events have developed themselves, and as soon as the new conditions, which have already been anticipated by diplomatic negotiations between the Courts of Berlin and St. Petersburg, shall have appeared to require increased attention.

"From the recent declarations of Lord Derby, the declarations of the British Cabinet one year ago are confirmed. Great Britain cannot defend Turkey directly, nor would they accept the propositions of Russia or take any decided position except in the event of new complications. Italy has already declared that so far as she is concerned she will remain neutral so long as the war is localized between Russia and Turkey. But the Italian Parliament has not bound itself to remain neutral if any other Powers enter the field.

"The appearance of the Russian fleet and of the Dukes here is undoubtedly for no other purpose than creating the impression in Europe that Russia is on specially friendly terms with the United States."

GREECE.

A gentleman formerly connected with the United States diplomatic service in the Orient gives expression to the following views upon the relations of Greece to the forthcoming Eastern struggle: There are but a few Greeks who cherish the ancient idea, which is the dream of the scholarly Hellenes, that there some day is to be a Greek Empire, founded upon the ruins of the Turkish Empire in Europe, with its seat at Constantinople. There is no popular sentiment in Greece upon which so ambitious a scheme could be based. Probably the ambition of the present people of Greece would be satisfied by the restoration to their country of the provinces of Epirus, Thessaly, and Crete, which were once essential elements of the Greek Empire. The people of Greece have a patriotic sentiment that these provinces should be restored to them. The expectation of extending the territory of Greece in this direction may tend to bring Greece at the proper moment into the contest. There is no distinct rivalry between the Greeks and the Slavs. Religion, which is so powerful a bond of union in these Eastern countries, binds the Greeks and the Slavs together, and, whatever may have been the origin of the Slavonic people, which compose considerable a portion of the Russian Empire, the Greeks are disposed to look beyond their origin to their religion. There can be no doubt that, when the struggle shall actually begin and opportunity offers, Greece will array herself on the side of Russia and the Slavonic populations of the Turkish Empire, against the Turks.

### MEXICO.

THE USUAL POLITICAL MUDDLE.

CITY OF MEXICO, April 26.—Mejia, Secretary of the Treasury under Lerdo, has been imprisoned for alleged malpractices during the past two years.

Mr. Sutter, the American Consul at Acapulco, imprisoned without cause three weeks ago, was released by order of Diaz, but without redress. The American residents are indignant.

The *Courier de La Europe* has suspended, and the *Two Republics* will probably discontinue May 1. Both journals favored Lerdo.

Diaz declares the House of Deputies illegal as a Congress. The Senate is called for September, when both bodies will form a constitutional Congress.

A formidable conspiracy has been discovered in San Luis Potosi, and a number of persons arrested.

Cortina is at liberty on parole.

### SPAIN.

IN CONGRESS.

MADRID, April 26.—Senor Posada Herrara has been elected President of Congress by a vote of 265 to 5. The Constitutionalists abstained from voting.

Senor Canovas del Castillo, addressing a meeting of Senators, said the Cabinet would pursue a conciliatory policy. If revolutionary violence went so far as to menace the institutions of the country, the Government, with the support of the Senate, would be able to defend the throne and the dynasty.

### FIRES.

AT DESPLAINES.

*Special Dispatch to The Tribune.*

DESPLAINES, Ill., April 26.—The Ward Hotel, situated on Minor street, near the depot, was totally destroyed by fire this evening. The fire was discovered about half-past 7, the flames breaking out in the roof near a rear chimney. The wildest excitement prevailed. The adjacent buildings were in great danger, and were saved by the heroic exertions on the part of the Fire Department and citizens. A serious accident occurred. Mr. C. H. Lines was terribly cut between the eyes by an ax. The wound was promptly sewed up and is doing well. The insurance on the building was $2,500; on the furniture, $1,500. Loss, $3,000. The cause of the fire is unknown.

AT YPSILANTI, MICH.

*Special Dispatch to The Tribune.*

ANN ARBOR, Mich., April 26.—A bonfire kindled in Ypsilanti this morning burned two barns belonging to Mrs. Kennedy and Mrs. Alexander Stoddard. Adjoining valuable buildings were saved by the prompt action of the fire department. Loss, $1,000.

AT LOGGOOTA, IND.

*Special Dispatch to The Tribune.*

CINCINNATI, April 26.—A fire at Logoous, Ind., at an early hour this morning destroyed J. Ackerman's hotel and stable, together with fifteen horses. Loss, $10,000; insured for $3,000. Ten dwellings were also burned.

## O'LEARY'S GREATEST.

### The Chicago Pedestrian's Unparalleled Achievement in London.

### His Victory Over Weston in Agricultural Hall, Beginning April 2.

### Both Contestants Far Outdid All Their Previous Performances.

### An Exhibition of Pluck and Endurance Such as Was Never Before Witnessed.

### O'Leary Walks 519 Miles in 5 Days, 21 Hours, 6 Minutes, and 10 Seconds.

### Immense Attendance, and Great Excitement and Enthusiasm.

*Special Correspondence of The Tribune.*

LONDON, April 12, 1877.—The great walking match at Chicago in November, 1875, between Daniel O'Leary and E. P. Weston was up to last week one of the marvels of pedestrian records. It will be remembered that O'Leary on that occasion accomplished 503 miles and a fraction, and Weston was beaten by over fifty miles. Upon the return of the latter to New York he is reported to have said that he did not try to win the match. That of itself was bad enough, but when he came to England over a year ago he altered his tune and claimed that the Chicago public would not let him have fair play,—threw pepper in his face, threatened to shoot him. In other words, he claimed that he [illegible] to disprove these claims O'Leary immediately on his arrival set about getting on a match with Weston, but without avail until Sir John Astley, the well-known Baronet of sporting proclivities, took up with Weston, and stated his willingness to back him for £500 against the Chicago champion. After this announcement there was little time lost in arriving at a satisfactory conclusion, O'Leary consenting to all of Weston's demands, as set forth in the following

"MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT

made and entered into this 5d day of January between Daniel O'Leary and Edward Payson Weston, whereby they agree to engage in a six days' walking match for £500 a side; the race to take place in a covered building or ground (to be mutually agreed upon by both parties) within a radius of five miles of Charing Cross, at Eastertide, starting at five minutes past 12 a. m. on Monday, the 2d day of April, and terminating Saturday, the 7th day of April, at ten minutes to 12 o'clock in the evening (143¾ hours from the start). Each man to walk upon a separate track, to be laid down according to his own directions, and surveyed by a competent authority in the presence of the judges appointed. The measurement of each track to be made eighteen inches from the inside border frame. Each man must walk fair—the judges appointed to be solely empowered to call any walking—and such lap adjudged to have been traversed unfairly to be disallowed and canceled in the record book. Each man must walk alone, and no attendant to be allowed to run alongside the boards or path at a time with either competitor, and then only for the purpose of handing refreshments. The stakes and two-thirds of the gate money (after all expenses have been deducted) to be handed over to the winner, and the loser to take one-third. The editor of the *Sporting Life* is appointed stakeholder, and the whole of the stakes must be deposited at the office of the *Sporting Life* one calendar month before the time appointed for the commencement of the race. The said parties (Weston and O'Leary) to appoint the four judges at the time of the last deposit, and in case they cannot agree in making these appointments, the editor of the *Sporting Life* is hereby empowered to make such appointments; also, if the men cannot agree in selecting a building or ground for the decision of the match, the editor of the *Sporting Life* to have the power of naming were the race is to be decided. The judges to be four in number; and to have full control over the race from the time it starts; the decision of the majority of the judges to be final and conclusive under any circumstances. Two hands to be in attendance, and play from 5 p. m. till 12 p. m. The hands to be under the direction of both men in alternate hours, and to discontinue playing whilst either man is absent for the purpose of sleeping. In the event of any question arising which has not been provided for in these articles, the judges jointly to have full power to decide such question, and their decision to be final and conclusive. Each stakeholder shall in each and every case be exonerated from all responsibility upon obeying the direction of the judges. Either party failing to comply with any of these articles to forfeit the whole of the stakes.

"(Signed) DANIEL O'LEARY.

"Witness { THOMAS MATHISON. JNO. L. THOMAS.

"EDWARD PAYSON WESTON.

"Witness { E. H. U. PICKERING. GEORGE W. ATKINSON.

"Jan. 3, 1877."

Since signing these articles we have mutually agreed to have five judges, instead of four, as originally agreed upon.

(Signed) EDWARD PAYSON WESTON.
(For D. O'Leary),
JNO. L. THOMAS.

Witness { C. B. SMITH. T. MATHISON.

Jan. 10, 1877.

The conditions of the articles were all complied with in due form, and the Agricultural Hall at Islington having been secured for the week (at a cost of £400) everything looked in proper shape for the match. The judges selected were Messrs. G. W. Atkinson and C. Conquest, of the *Sporting Life*, Mr. A. G. Payne, of the *Standard*, and Mr. James Wood, of New York. Mr. J. G. Chambers was also an appointee, but at the last moment he found he could not spare the necessary time, and Capt. Webb, the person who succeeded in swimming across the English Channel from Dover to Calais, acted in his behalf. O'Leary's £500 was found by Mr. Sam Hague, of Liverpool, and a few others who believed in his power of endurance. The tracks were respectively six and a half and seven laps to the mile, measured eighteen inches from the inner edge. O'Leary having the outer one, as at the Chicago walk. In addition to the judges there were two relays of tally-keepers and each contestant also appointed his own men to mark the laps on the black-boards. Everything being in readiness at the appointed time, Mr. Atkinson

SENT FOR THE MEN.

The first to appear was Weston, and as O'Leary did not come on the track until after the time was up, Weston had a minute's start. O'Leary going off at 12h. 6m., and soon getting up to the leader, walking steadily to the front, and accomplishing his first mile in 10m. 47sec. to Weston's 12m. 3sec. Both walked faster after this, and at five miles O'Leary's time was 50m. 55sec. to Weston's 57m. 40sec. Twenty miles was walked without a stop, and then O'Leary, who was 13m. 20sec. to the good, left the track for one minute. He also made brief stops in the 31st, 37th, and 42d miles, but all the time walking faster than Weston, and at 44 miles accomplished in 7h. 35m. 35sec. to Weston's 7h. 45m. 55sec. On the next mile he stopped for a change of clothing 1m. 15sec.; he also took some

SOOTHED BEER AND SELTZER WATER,

and this mixture very soon upset his stomach, for although he was still walking faster than Weston, it was evident he was not himself, and at sixty-three miles a feeling of faintness had to go to his tent, being overcome with nausea. It was not until he had lost 56m. 57sec. of valuable time that he was fit to reappear, and then he went on until 76 miles were passed up before he retired for another change. Weston had meanwhile kept steadily along at, for him, very good form, his style being very fast and true. At 70 miles and 1 lap he took his first rest of 17m. 5sec., but when O'Leary was taken sick Weston had been the leader, and when he stopped was 12m. 22sec. in advance of O'Leary. The latter then got a little in advance, but owing to a number of stoppages between 3 o'clock in the afternoon and midnight Weston again got in front, the only stopping once for 16m. 45sec. on his account. He managed to keep his advantage, and when O'Leary went to his bed at 11:42:12 p. m. his score stood at 113 miles and 135 yards. Weston kept on until he had walked 116 miles 753 yards at 12:05 a. m., exactly 24 hours from the start. This is the best of his authentic performances.

ON TUESDAY MORNING

O'Leary was soon at work, for he could not sleep, and his attendants thought he might as well be walking. He was only 1h. 24m. 15sec. off the track, so that he had a long pull over Weston, who was 1h. 48m. 5sec. off, 1h. 30m. 40sec., for when the latter joined him the score stood close on to 123 miles for O'Leary. Weston was rather slow, as is usual with him, and it now was his turn to take frequent stops, the 125th mile he was off for 3m. 45sec.; 127th, 58m. 5sec., and in the 129th, 1h. 31m. 15sec. During this time O'Leary was doing some fine walking, and with but a couple of short stops he left the 130th mile behind, and 7h. 59m. stood 131 miles, Weston being then over 2½ miles behind. After his 146th mile O'Leary was off for breakfast (45m. 30sec.), and then kept on until 156 was reached, when he had a rest of 1h. 5m. 40sec. After this short compass was the order until he left for the night at 11:13:54, with the unparalleled score of 300 miles in 46 hours. From the 150th mile Weston had

BEEN ALL PERFECTLY PUNISHABLE

in even his recent great walk against Crossland, which was then looked upon as impossible. Weston's style of walking is very good one, for at the end of 24 hours he had covered 150 miles to 148 for Crossland, and then he took a lengthy rest of 2h. 15m. 20sec., and when he again started the two only were separated by twenty seconds, and therefore, had Weston only kept his head, his score standing 300 to 298 miles, an advantage of 30 miles, all the more readily he could what nothing lead the Chicago champion had acquired, and that barring accidents, he must win the match. The few who knew his powers of endurance and stamina were not slow in betting several lots of the long odds of the majority, and while it was at least two to one on O'Leary, even money could be obtained. As the day progressed, however, and O'Leary continued walking with such an apparent amount of reserve power on hand, betting soon underwent a change, and two to one and five to two was frequently offered in hundreds, but with no takers.

DURING WEDNESDAY,

O'Leary's stoppages were as follows: 13m. 25 sec. during the 221st mile; 1h. 38m. 25sec. during the 227th; then 24 miles without a break; a rest of 1h. 6m. 15sec after 250 miles was marked up. This distance, the half of what was looked upon as the full limit of either man's powers, was walked by O'Leary in 80h. 53m. 20sec. On the 282d mile he stopped for 13m. 48sec.; 16m. 40sec. at the 297th; 16m. 30sec. at the 277th; 11m. 23sec. at the 270th; 8m. 20sec. at the 291st. This was the last stop until, having scored up 294 miles 721 yards, he left the track at 12 o'clock.

From the 125d to the 293d mile O'Leary's times are the best on record, but his long rest at this point threw him behind his Manchester performance, and then Crossland has the record from 241 to 287, he having walked this distance in 2d. 21h. 22m. 20sec. This was not very far ahead of O'Leary's present performance of 287 in 2d. 22h. 8m. 15sec. From that mile up to the conclusion of the match O'Leary's time was far ahead of his Chicago time, hitherto the best on record. It is hardly necessary to enter into the full details of all the stoppages, some of which were but of one or two minutes' duration. Weston, at the completion of his three days, had covered 278 miles and 1,353 yards, or but 102 miles short of 275 miles, and at the completion of the mile he left for the night, and remained off for 3h. 8m. 5sec. O'Leary, on the other hand, was only away for 1h. 16m. 21sec., and this short rest did not seem to have done him much good, for his miles averaged more than what he was doing before he left the track. Weary as he must have been, for he had had but very little sleep, he yet

KEPT ON WITH INDOMITABLE PLUCK,

and it was not until a little after 1 o'clock in the afternoon that he left off, and then only under the compulsion of his attendants. He was then 339½ miles, and was over twenty-five miles ahead of Weston, who then had an opportunity to reduce the lead, for O'Leary, having fallen into a good sound sleep, was allowed to remain off for 4h. 6m. 56sec. Then Weston's score was raised to 328, and with it the hope of his admirers and backers, but he in turn had to go off in 1h. 13m. 20sec. At the close of the fourth day the score stood: O'Leary, 370 miles 704 yards; Weston, 353 miles 660 yards. Both were trying the cutting down tactics, and, instead of retiring at midnight as had been customary, Weston kept going until he had done 358 miles and 1,000 yards, when at last [illegible] was doing so well at this long rest that he kept on the track till 2:25:40 a. m., when his score stood at 380 miles. His rests were 2h. 1m. 40sec. for O'Leary and 2h. 27m. 52sec. for Weston, so the score was still decidedly in O'Leary's favor, when he followed his older opponent's example and got a rest. Weston was getting very leg-weary, and sought to relieve himself by all sorts of styles in his walk, and as soon as his hand put in an appearance at 5 o'clock a. m. he started off in the most suspicious manner, which finally resulted in Mr. Watson, the New York judge,

OBJECTING TO THE TALLYING OF A LAP.

His associates at the time were Messrs. Conquest and Webb, the former of whom had shown such a partiality to Weston throughout that it was to be expected he would decide whether the lap should be scored or not. That gentleman contented himself with saying that "It wasn't much worse than he had been doing before he started." After the delivery of this Solomon-like opinion the protest was withdrawn and the lap tallied. Weston did not fail to take advantage of the leaniency of the judges, walking and staggering and throughout the day went in a very peculiar gait for walking. It was now neck-or-nothing with Weston, and, urged on by Sir John Astley, who was present during the whole of the match, he ran a long score without a single stop, from 4:07 a. m. until he was at last compelled from sheer exhaustion to retire at 11:45 p. m., the full day's work being 135 miles, and the grand total of 493 miles. Knowing the race in hand, was not permitted to race away, but was carefully "nursed" and given a judicious amount of rest to avoid any possibility of breaking down. At half-past 2 o'clock, after he had accomplished nineteen miles since his night's sleep, he went off for three-quarters of an hour, and then after a few short intermediate stops he at once completed the 494th mile for a bath, which occupied 37m. 9sec. At this point he was

JUST SIXTEEN MILES AHEAD,

Weston tallying 478 miles after O'Leary left for his room. At the close of the fifth day the score stood: O'Leary, 453 miles 1,143 yards; Weston, 439 miles. Weston was off, and did not turn up again until 1:8:51 a. m., determined to win if sticking to his work could accomplish that end. O'Leary did not leave the track after midnight except for 5m. 30sec., until 5:32 a. m., when he had gone 474 miles and 270 yards. As Weston had quitted for over an hour and a half at 5 o'clock, past 2 o'clock, he was now twenty-five miles behind, and nothing but O'Leary's total collapse could enable him to win at this stage of the game. O'Leary was returned at 8:43:13 a. m., looking much refreshed and feeling pretty confident that he would last out the day, though one or two blisters were coming to the front. With but three short stops, 6m. 40sec., 6m. 30sec., and 9:13, he continued on till supper time, when he had done 504 miles. The 500 miles was done in 5d 14h. 43m. 20sec. amongst a scene of the greatest excitement.

LADIES WAVED THEIR HANDKERCHIEFS,

and gentlemen threw their hats in the air, while the cheering was perfectly deafening for fully five minutes. A clergyman walked out to O'Leary, and, taking off his hat, shook the pedestrian cordially by the hand. Then the bouquets began to arrive, and soon the front of O'Leary's tent looked more like a florist's shop than anything else. The ladies who presented these bouquets would walk quietly past the barriers and hand them to O'Leary, each gift being the occasion for more vociferous cheering. As the evening progressed the certainty of O'Leary's success was assured, and at three minutes past 8 Sir John Astley told his backers they might take him from the track, as he acknowledged Weston's pluck. O'Leary's score then stood at 1 [illegible] miles 400 yards, but it was not until 8:50 p. m. that he retired, when 519 miles and 4¾ laps had been walked. After seventeen minutes' rest he came out to make the over-time, but it was all he could do to get once round, his physical powers having collapsed, though mentally he was as sound as ever. After adding this one lap and making the distance 519 miles 1,467 yards, he stopped at 9:12:10 p. m., or exactly 5d. 21h. 6m. 10sec. from the start. Weston had set his mind on making 510 at least, so he kept on for a few minutes longer, and accomplished it in 5d. 22h. 54m. 30sec. Two such performances speak for themselves, and to loser as well as winner the greatest credit is due, for the struggle was a most determined one, and, as O'Leary said in a short speech when he proved it to Weston for finding out that he was a great deal better man than he had ever thought himself to be. The attendance was immense throughout the week, £1,092 being taken on the first four days, and on the last two the receipts must have been double that, so Weston with his third share will not do so bad after all, and that he deserves all he will get every one will admit.

J. W.

## NEW YORK CUSTOMS.

### The Secret Investigation Now in Progress.

*Special Dispatch to The Tribune.*

NEW YORK, April 26.—The Custom-House investigating Committee met in Collector Arthur's private room this morning. The private stenographer of the Solicitor of the Treasury took full notes of the proceedings. These he is to daily forward to the Secretary of the Treasury, who will use his judgment as to what portions he will make public. The Committee refused to allow reporters at the investigation. They said they had no desire to conceal anything, but thought the presence of the press might embarrass them in considering as full an inquiry as they wished; besides, they had been pledged to secrecy. They promised that, at the close of the investigation, which might occupy two or three weeks, a full and fair report would be furnished for publication. The investigation continued until 5 o'clock in the afternoon. The only person examined was Collector Arthur, who gave a general explanation of the manner of conducting the business of the Custom-House. One of the subjects upon which particular inquiry was made was the connection of politics with the business of the Department, and especially the influence brought to bear by persons in high political life to secure berths for friends who had been unfortunate in private business. The pressure exerted in this regard is said to have been far greater than any arising from local politics. The Committee have a specific charge to find before them, and their duty, so far as they know at present, lies simply in an exhaustive examination of the case before it, with a view to a report with a view to ultimate alterations and improvements. Collector Arthur will be again before the Committee to-morrow, and the heads of bureaus will follow him in order until the Committee are satisfied they have gone over the ground thoroughly. The Customs Revenue Reform Committee of the Chamber of Commerce organized today by electing Jackson Schultz Chairman and Sherburne B. Eaton counsel. The Committee will co-operate with the Custom-House Committee, and will represent the importers of the city in suggesting changes in existing laws and regulations.

## THE PILGRIMS.

NEW YORK, April 26.—The Rev. John F. Kearney, who will sail on Saturday next as accredited representative of this archdiocese to the Holy Father, bearing with him the address of its reverend clergy to his Holiness, and also an offering of $60,000 in gold from the clergy and laity, was himself this morning presented with an address and $2,000 by the parishioners of the cathedral of which Father Kearney is pastor.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., April 26.—Archbishop Wood and a number of prominent Catholic clergymen sailed in the steamer Ohio this morning, en route for Rome to participate in the celebration of the anniversary of Pope Pio Nono's ascension to the Pontificate.

## GAMBLERS ARRESTED.

Kirk Gunn, William Smith, Capt. Ralph, William Jones, and William Knight, five of the gang who were recently arrested by Officers Madigan and Maloney, were last night rearrested by the same men upon warrants recently sworned out by Dan Riordan and Owen Maloney of Hickey's force for the suppression of gambling. They were recently discharged because Judge Boyden thought they were improperly arrested.

## THE SOUTH.

### Gov. Hampton's Message to the South Carolina Legislature.

### His Plan for Improving the State's Financial Condition.

### The Establishment of a Free-School System Strongly Advocated.

### Final Adjournment of the Louisiana Legislature.

### SOUTH CAROLINA.

MESSAGE OF GOV. HAMPTON TO THE LEGISLATURE.

COLUMBIA, S. C., April 26.—Gov. Hampton, in his message to the Legislature, which convened today, says:

I cherish the hope that you will forget the animosity engendered by political strife, and rise superior to petty considerations of partisanship, and that, devoting yourselves with patriotic zeal to the service of your State, you will strive earnestly to restore its lost prosperity, revive its wasted industry, reform all the abuses in its government, and promote harmony, good-will, and justice among all classes and parties. All efforts to bring about a better state of affairs will prove unavailing until the finances of the State are put in a healthy condition, and the credit of the State is established on the sound and honorable footing which it once occupied.

It is due alike to the credit, as well as to the future prosperity of the State, that there should be no question or doubt as to our determination to meet every honest obligation fairly and faithfully, but it is equally our duty to ascertain what are its honest liabilities. The State obligations, whether funded or not, should be strictly scrutinized with a view of ascertaining which are valid and which are not. This should be a condition precedent to the payment of the interest on any outstanding obligation, whether in the shape of bonds or otherwise, and also to the further funding of any of the State indebtedness into the consolidated bonds authorized to be issued under the act of 1873, to reduce the volume of the public debt. In order to effect this object in a mode satisfactory and equitable alike to the State and to the public creditors, I respectfully suggest the appointment of a Commission of one member from each House, the Comptroller-General and Treasurer of the State, and three citizens, under whose directions the complete investigation of the funds and the floating indebtedness of the State shall be made. Obligations, the validity of which shall be established, shall be certified in such form as the Commission or Legislature may prescribe; and the coupons of such bonds alone shall be receivable for taxes. The Commission should also be charged with the duty of reporting to the General Assembly, at the next regular session, the precise character of all the obligations of doubtful validity, or clearly fraudulent, with the specific facts upon which their reports upon such conclusions are based; the records and books of the consolidated bonds outstanding, with the nature of the securities being withheld by the State officials, also the whole of the bonds which the State officials have been compelled to issue with accuracy what portion of the public debt has been converted into consolidated bonds, and what portion remains to be funded; but from the best sources of information before me, I estimate the amount yet to be funded at about $3,000,000, which, at the rate established for funding, will require an issue of $1,500,000 of consolidated bonds under the act of 1873. At half-past 3 o'clock, after he had accomplished nineteen miles since his night's sleep, he went off for three-quarters of an hour, and then after a few short intermediate stops he at once completed the 494th mile for a bath, which occupied 37m. 9sec. At this point he was

JUST SIXTEEN MILES AHEAD,

Weston tallying 478 miles after O'Leary left for his room. At the close of the fifth day the score stood: O'Leary, 453 miles 1,143 yards; Weston, 439 miles. Weston was off, and did not turn up again until 1:8:51 a. m., determined to win if sticking to his work could accomplish that end. O'Leary did not leave the track after midnight except for 5m. 30sec., until 5:32 a. m., when he had gone 474 miles and 270 yards. As Weston had quitted for over an hour and a half at 5 o'clock, past 2 o'clock, he was now twenty-five miles behind, and nothing but O'Leary's total collapse could enable him to win at this stage of the game. O'Leary was returned at 8:43:13 a. m., looking much refreshed and feeling pretty confident that he would last out the day, though one or two blisters were coming to the front. With but three short stops, 6m. 40sec., 6m. 30sec., and 9:13, he continued on till supper time, when he had done 504 miles. The 500 miles was done in 5d 14h. 43m. 20sec. amongst a scene of the greatest excitement.

LADIES WAVED THEIR HANDKERCHIEFS,

and gentlemen threw their hats in the air, while the cheering was perfectly deafening for fully five minutes. A clergyman walked out to O'Leary, and, taking off his hat, shook the pedestrian cordially by the hand. Then the bouquets began to arrive, and soon the front of O'Leary's tent looked more like a florist's shop than anything else. The ladies who presented these bouquets would walk quietly past the barriers and hand them to O'Leary, each gift being the occasion for more vociferous cheering. As the evening progressed the certainty of O'Leary's success was assured, and at three minutes past 8 Sir John Astley told his backers they might take him from the track, as he acknowledged Weston's pluck. O'Leary's score then stood at 1 [illegible] miles 400 yards, but it was not until 8:50 p. m. that he retired, when 519 miles and 4¾ laps had been walked. After seventeen minutes' rest he came out to make the over-time, but it was all he could do to get once round, his physical powers having collapsed, though mentally he was as sound as ever. After adding this one lap and making the distance 519 miles 1,467 yards, he stopped at 9:12:10 p. m., or exactly 5d. 21h. 6m. 10sec. from the start. Weston had set his mind on making 510 at least, so he kept on for a few minutes longer, and accomplished it in 5d. 22h. 54m. 30sec. Two such performances speak for themselves, and to loser as well as winner the greatest credit is due, for the struggle was a most determined one, and, as O'Leary said in a short speech when he proved it to Weston for finding out that he was a great deal better man than he had ever thought himself to be. The attendance was immense throughout the week, £1,092 being taken on the first four days, and on the last two the receipts must have been double that, so Weston with his third share will not do so bad after all, and that he deserves all he will get every one will admit.

J. W.

## NEW YORK CUSTOMS.

### The Secret Investigation Now in Progress.

*Special Dispatch to The Tribune.*

NEW YORK, April 26.—The Custom-House Investigating Committee met in Collector Arthur's private room this morning. The private stenographer of the Solicitor of the Treasury took full notes of the proceedings. These he is to daily forward to the Secretary of the Treasury, who will use his judgment as to what portions he will make public. The Committee refused to allow reporters at the investigation. They said they had no desire to conceal anything, but thought the presence of the press might embarrass them in considering as full an inquiry as they wished; besides, they had been pledged to secrecy. They promised that, at the close of the investigation, which might occupy two or three weeks, a full and fair report would be furnished for publication. The investigation continued until 5 o'clock in the afternoon. The only person examined was Collector Arthur, who gave a general explanation of the manner of conducting the business of the Custom-House. One of the subjects upon which particular inquiry was made was the connection of politics with the business of the Department, and especially the influence brought to bear by persons in high political life to secure berths for friends who had been unfortunate in private business. The pressure exerted in this regard is said to have been far greater than any arising from local politics. The Committee have a specific charge to find before them, and their duty, so far as they know at present, lies simply in an exhaustive examination of the case before it, with a view to a report with a view to ultimate alterations and improvements. Collector Arthur will be again before the Committee to-morrow, and the heads of bureaus will follow him in order until the Committee are satisfied they have gone over the ground thoroughly. The Customs Revenue Reform Committee of the Chamber of Commerce organized today by electing Jackson Schultz Chairman and Sherburne B. Eaton counsel. The Committee will co-operate with the Custom-House Committee, and will represent the importers of the city in suggesting changes in existing laws and regulations.

## THE PILGRIMS.

NEW YORK, April 26.—The Rev. John F. Kearney, who will sail on Saturday next as accredited representative of this archdiocese to the Holy Father, bearing with him the address of its reverend clergy to his Holiness, and also an offering of $60,000 in gold from the clergy and laity, was himself this morning presented with an address and $2,000 by the parishioners of the cathedral of which Father Kearney is pastor.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., April 26.—Archbishop Wood and a number of prominent Catholic clergymen sailed in the steamer Ohio this morning, en route for Rome to participate in the celebration of the anniversary of Pope Pio Nono's ascension to the Pontificate.

## GAMBLERS ARRESTED.

Kirk Gunn, William Smith, Capt. Ralph, William Jones, and William Knight, five of the gang who were recently arrested by Officers Madigan and Maloney, were last night rearrested by the same men upon warrants recently sworned out by Dan Riordan and Owen Maloney of Hickey's force for the suppression of gambling. They were recently discharged because Judge Boyden thought they were improperly arrested.

## BOARD OF EDUCATION.

### Some More Legislation on the Eternal Subject of Text-Books.

### The Normal School to Be Closed for a Year—Miscellaneous Business.

The Board of Education held a regular semi-monthly meeting last evening, President Sullivan in the chair. The absentees were Arnold, Clarke, Covert, Kohn, and Smith.

A communication was received from the lessees of the dry-dock below Harrison street asking the Board to either rebuild the dock or to cancel their lease, which runs until May 1, 1880. They say that it is unfit for use as it now is. It was referred to the Committee on School Fund Property.

THE ADELPHI.

A communication was received from J. H. Haverly offering to lease the Adelphi Theatre for four years from October next and pay $9,000 a year rent monthly, in advance. He had agreed to purchase the property in the building, provided he could rent it for the sum named, and would make the Adelphi a first-class family theatre, smoking and drinking prohibited. It was referred to the same Committee.

A communication was received from the Apollo Club asking that Mr. Blackburn be permitted to assist in their concert next month, and that he be followed by the schools such voices as he may find necessary to complete the children's chorus of 900.

The School Agent reported that he had bought with School-Fund money eleven Cook County bonds at 107¾, which draw 7 per cent interest. His action was approved.

On motion, the Committee on Buildings and Grounds was instructed to advertise for a lot in the vicinity of Walnut street and Keeziе avenue suitable for a school-house.

TEXT-BOOKS.

The special order, the resolution of Inspector English in relation to reducing the price of text-books, was taken up. It provides that text-books for grammar and primary schools shall be furnished for at least 25 per cent below their published retail prices of last year; that no change shall be made unless the publishers of such new books shall make an even exchange for old books; and that the introduction of new books shall not exceed 50 per cent of such textbook prices.

Inspector Hoyne offered an amendment providing that changes shall be made only as new classes are formed requiring a change.

The amendment was unanimously adopted, as was the resolution as amended.

Inspector English offered the following, which was adopted:

*Resolved*, That a copy of every text-book proposed for adoption shall be filed with the Clerk of the Board, to which copy shall be attached a guarantee by the publishers hereof that, during the time said book shall, if adopted, be used in the schools, the copies sold to the pupils shall equal such sample copy in quality, composition, and press-work, and the literary matter thereof shall not be altered without the express consent of the Board.

The same Inspector offered the following:

No text-book edited, compiled, revised, or amended by any officer, teacher, or employe of this Board shall be considered for adoption until such author or person shall have been absent from the service of the Board, or the Clerk of this Board, their affidavits fully showing that neither directly nor indirectly, for himself or for any interest, present, prospective, or contingent, or in any manner whatsoever, in the sale, proceeds, or profit of such book, has any benefit been derived. The foregoing text-book shall be dropped from the list, and such officer, employe, or teacher so offending against the Constitution and statutes of this State shall be prosecuted thereunder.

Inspector English said it was eminently proper that the resolution should be adopted. The bribery of text-books by putting them in the hands of children's books had caused great scandal in the East. He did not know that it had been done in Chicago, but it was well to guard against it.

Inspector Bradley objected, because, as he understood it, a teacher could not write a text-book. Some of the best ever published had been made by teachers.

Inspector English replied that it would not, but the teacher would be amenable if he had any interest in the book if introduced into the schools.

The resolution was unanimously adopted.

The Superintendent reported that fifteen teachers reported the resignations of Lizzie Meade, Gertrude M. Tenney, and Amelia Mallory. They were accepted.

NORMAL-SCHOOL DEPARTMENT.

Inspector Hoyne offered the following:

*Resolved*, That the Common Council be requested to repeal the ordinance for the establishment of a Normal-School Department in the High School, the same to take effect at the close of the present school year.

By request Superintendent Pickard made a statement. He said that, up to two years ago, the school furnished about one-third of the teachers needed, but since the Normal School has been formed for more than one-half of the graduates. Raising the standard of admission had increased the attendance. It was not for the interest of the schools that it be run with such normal graduates; there must be a percentage of outside experienced teachers; otherwise the schools would deteriorate. Among the graduates of the school, he said, but thought the time had come for suspending it for a year or two. A suspension would work no harm, but would be a benefit. Upon reopening the school the standard could be fixed so as to let the graduates within the limits of the need of the schools.

Inspector English thought the Board had power to suspend the school under the law.

Inspector Wells said that by July there would be three times as many Normal graduates as would be needed in any one year. He was in favor of admitting pupils after next June from the High School and elsewhere, there to guarantee to remain a year. From them, in 1879, the best could be selected. This was his choice, since there would then not be a total suspension. He did not meet with approval. He was in favor of suspension, but not abolition.

Inspector Wells said that a school exclusively for girls was unauthorized by the laws of the State, and if any tax-fighter took hold of the matter he could defeat the collection of taxes assessed for its maintenance. He thought there was no necessity for the school, and that ought to be abolished. Nine in ten of the pupils looked upon it as a crown of thorns which they must wear before they got a crown of glory.

The resolution was agreed to, ayes 5, noes 4.

Inspector Hoyne offered the following, which was adopted:

*Resolved*, That this Board considers it advisable that the Normal School be closed at the end of the present school-year.

The Board then adjourned.

## SUBURBAN NEWS.

### HYDE PARK.

A gentleman who has, for certain reasons, canvassed the Village of Hyde Park, reports that there are in the village 4,201 houses, and of these 1,402 are brick. The inhabitants number about 12,000 according to this estimate. The most valuable corner in the town is Cottage Grove and Oakwood avenues, the next at Hyde Park Station. The number of brick houses is larger in proportion than in the city before the fire, and would show that Hyde Park has a claim to be called the finest suburb of Chicago.

A two-story frame house is to be erected on Greenwood avenue, south of Fifty-third street.

A small frame house is going up on Oak street, near Woodlawn avenue.

A depot is to be erected at Forty-third street and the lake, for which Cook County will pay the sum of $600, the idea being to improve the property owned by the county known as the Reform-School farm.

Almost all the houses in Hyde Park are rented, and many persons are coming in daily. The hotel will have many permanent guests and in any summer heretofore. A dozen arrivals were noted on the books yesterday.

A meeting was held in Wendt's Hall Wednesday evening, by some of the taxpayers for the purpose of economizing in the village expenses. The meeting was addressed by Messrs. Pierce, Stone, Wendt, and others, who advocated the consolidation of the offices of Engineer and Superintendent of Public Works, and who thought that the wages paid to the police were too high. Resolutions embodying these ideas were drawn up for signatures, and will be presented to the Board at the next meeting.

The schools will open Monday after a week's spring vacation.

EVANSTON.

The reporter of a morning paper called on the family of the Rev. Dr. Newman, last week and wanted to know whether the sociable given last night at the Methodist Church was to be "a pound party." The chief feature of the sociable was intended, for obvious reasons, to keep secret from the pastor and his family, the peculiar imbecility of the reporter will be appreciated.

The sociable at the Methodist Church last evening was an enjoyable affair. Contrary to the expectations of the pastor, Dr. Wentworth, he was met not only with smiling faces but pound packages from the inner and outer man. These entertainments will be often repeated during the following months.

The ladies of the Presbyterian Church held a sociable in their parlors last evening.

Prof. Kirtler's lecture was listened to by an appreciative audience at the Scandinavian Church last evening.

The third game of the college series takes place this afternoon between the Senior and Sophomore Classes.

The Eclectic Club meets Monday evening at the residence of Mr. Ambrose Foster.

The young society people were entertained at the home of Mr. C. J. Gilbert last evening.

In the game between the Seniors and Juniors Wednesday, the former won by the score of 41 to 16.

## MURDEROUS ASSAULT.

A most serious affray happened at 682 Halsted street at 9:30 last evening, the victim escaping with his life by only a scratch. The place is occupied as a hardware store by Mr. W. E. Wilson, who, like all other tradesmen in the vicinity, keeps open until a late hour to catch the evening trade. The lights were burning brightly in the store, and Mr. Wilson had but just stepped upstairs for a few moments, when two young thieves sneaked into the hallway leading up-stairs by a side door, and thence into the store. Mr. Wilson heard him enter and ran down in time to see what he was trying to escape by the same route he entered by. At this juncture a "pal" who had been on the sidewalk on the lookout rushed in and aided the captured thief in a violent assault, during which the lookout drew a knife or some other sharp instrument, and cut Mr. Wilson on the head four times, inflicting deep and painful wounds. Both then made their escape, and, up to a late hour, Officer Mathiessen had failed to capture them, although he was close upon the trail. Wilson thinks he can identify both of them. The injured man was attended by Dr. N. H. Church, who thinks the wounds will not prove dangerous.

## THE WEST TOWN.

### Settling Up the Accounts of the Outgoing Officers.

### A Quiet Investigation of the Affairs of the Park Board in Progress.

The West Town Board held an adjourned meeting at No. 58 South Halsted street Tuesday evening, Justice Sheridan in the chair.

Justice Ingersoll, from the Committee appointed to investigate the affairs of the West Park Board, reported that the investigation had been progressed. He moved that they be authorized to employ an expert accountant to assist them.

The motion was agreed to.

The Committee, it appears, has held four meetings, but there have been no entries made in the book as a course to be pursued. The investigation is made on the motion of the Town Board, they auditing the park receipts, and, being the representatives of the people, they consider it their duty to learn what has been done with the money set aside for park purposes. An account has been at work on the books for a week or so. When he has finished his work, if anything crooked appears from his report, the Committee will examine all persons who can throw any light on the matter. Their sessions will all be secret, and they propose making nothing public until they have come to a conclusion. This they consider but just to the Park Commissioners, since, if there is really nothing wrong in their administration, and what appears on the surface as "queer" can be satisfactorily explained, it would be an injury to them and do no good to have disjointed statements printed in the newspapers. The investigation will be thorough and honest; and, without doubt, if any fraud has been committed by the Commissioners, nothing will be left undone to expose it, and place the odium upon the shoulders of those responsible for it.

The new Town Clerk, M. F. Tarpey, retains the old one, and a vote of thanks was tendered H. H. Hertz for his faithful and efficient services.

Justice Matson, from the Committee appointed

THE SUPERVISOR'S ACCOUNTS,

reported that they had carefully compared all orders drawn by the Clerk with the original records of the Board, and the orders with the warrants made against the town on the Supervisor's books, and found every item correct. The Supervisor had paid out about $1,271, each bond properly signed. They found on the register A large number of coupons which had never been canceled, and recommended that a committee be appointed to investigate the matter.

The Supervisor had received from all sources from April 28, 1876, to April 18, 1871, $101,845.76, and disbursed $100,103.58, as follows:

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| One thousand two hundred and seventy-one coupons interest on park bonds | $44,895 |
| One-fourth per cent commissions and express charges | 112 |
| Note with interest to International Bank | 1,020 |
| Balance on note German National Bank | 2,000 |
| By Superior Judge's order | 4,000 |
| Note and interest, C. H. Vose | 4,100 |
| Interest on bonds | 40,000 |
| Interest and sundry other town expenses | 1,975 |
| Balance on hand | 1,741 |

The Committee recommended the payment of the bill of the Town Clerk, amounting to $105. They reported back that of the Supervisor, $1,500, without recommendation.

Some discussion took place over Herlz's bill, it being for the whole year.

Justice Eberhardt said, assuming that the charges were correct, none were made except in accordance with the law. He believed that it be paid.

Justice Morrison did not approve of some of the items.

The bill was ordered paid by yeas 6, nays 3, as follows:

*Yeas*—Eberhardt, Tarpey, Matson, Salisbury, Sheridan, and Pedersen—6.

*Nays*—Ingersoll, Morrison, and Bradley—3.

THE BILL OF SUPERVISOR MOORE

was as follows:

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|---|---|
| 70 days' service out of town, at $2.50 | $ 175 |
| 110 days' service in town, at $3 | 330 |
| Receiving and paying out $100,000 | 200 |
| Receiving and paying out $40,000 | 100 |
| Total | $1,305 |

Justice Eberhardt moved that the bill of the Supervisor be paid, omitting the amounts charged for hauling snow from sidewalks.

Justice Salisbury moved as an amendment that the bill be laid over until the next meeting.

Justice Matson said the Supervisor's duties were responsible; he had a great deal to do, and his services should be paid for.

The amendment was agreed to.

Justice Salisbury remarked that there were park-bond coupons representing between $11,000 and $13,000 out, which had been canceled, and something ought to be done about it.

Justice Matson said that there were 900 coupons not accounted for during Wall's term of office, and place the odium upon the shoulders of those responsible for it.

Justice Salisbury stated that these coupons were the same as a note, and if they had not been canceled they might be presented for payment again. They might be held as collateral, or they might have been destroyed.

The matter was referred to the Committee which is investigating park affairs.

The Committee's report was then adopted.

Justice Matson, from the Committee appointed to ascertain the

CONDITION OF THE ASSESSOR'S OFFICE,

reported that they

## CURRENT GOSSIP.

### QUERIES.

Who meets me now and then "by chance"?
Who at me flings a "crushing" glance?
Who asks for "payment in advance"?
My Landlady.

Who's always 'round on Saturday night,
When times are either fair or "tight"?
Who would not trust me for a bite?
My Landlady.

Who struts the dining-room in state?
Who's pea-green dress is out of date?
Who lays a hair across my plate?
My Landlady.

Who gives for dessert baker's pie?
Just order twice, who heaves a sigh—
Declares that "everything's so high"?
My Landlady.

Who dishes prunes in thirteen ways?
Who, snorting, ofttimes breaks her stays?
Who ought to mend her crabbed ways?
My Landlady.

Who goes the rounds for toughest steak—
Selects the kind that's sure to break
A fellow's jaws if he partake?
My Landlady.

Who gives me coffee thinly made,
As weak as "circus-lemonade"?
Who seeks her virtues to parade?
My Landlady.

Who's ever looking for a "catch"?
(O would some fiend her eye-balls scratch,
Or into dark perdition snatch)
My Landlady.

ELGIN, Ill., April 25, 1877. "TIM BURR."

### A DARING CAPTURE.

*Prentice Mulford in Puck.*

I had just landed from the steamer, and was passing what seemed to be a bank. It was now broad daylight. I saw distinctly five masked men at work among a number of safes. Presently there was a slight explosion. I perceived that one of the safes had been blown open. It certainly looked suspicious. On the corner I saw a policeman. I hailed him. He came quickly. I said to myself, "How prompt this, the finest force in the world to stop the career of crime." He came straight up to me, drew his club, and hit me an awful rap on the head. "Take that," says he, "for disturbing the slumbers of the poor laboring men of a Sunday morning. Have ye no regard for the quite and pace of the Sabbath in a Christian land?"

Just then the burglars, or those who seemed burglars, five in number, emerged from the building, heavily laden with sacks of silver coin. I heard the chink as they passed by. I raised my arm to point them out to the officer who stood grinning at me. He hit that arm an awful rap. "Is it threatenen me, ye are," said he; "if ye raises so much as a finger I'll blow yer brains out wid me pistil."

Said I, "—what have I done?" "Done" said he, "why didn't ye kape on the right side of the walk, and turn yer toes in? What did ye spit on the pavement for, and kick a dog? What's that ye've got now in that carpet-bag? Give it to me!" and he snatched for the bag and knocked me down again with his club. Then he opened it by cutting the bottom out, put three pecktees and a bottle of pomade in his pocket. "That is this?" says he, taking out a pair of glove-stretchers. "They're my glove-stretchers, says I, making a motion to get up. Then he clubbed me all over with glove-stretchers he said they were, that's what he opened the safe of the National Bank wid. That's the new machine ye've got for indacent purposes. Come along wid me! I want ye's."

Well, he took me to the station-house. When the Captain and Serveant saw me brought in, they made a rush for me. They clubbed me about half an hour. Then they went and hung their clubs up, and says they to me, "Now, you infernal villain, what's this man?" "Ill trathn' an officer on duty. Drunk and disorderly. Suspicions actions. Looked at a house as if he wanted to break in. Resistin' an officer. Shure, he's a desperate blaggard, that he is. I continded wid him near an hour, and not a soul to help me."

I was about to speak, when I got another rap on the jaw from the officer who was nearest me. Then they took down their clubs and examined their pistols.

"And look now at this," said the vigilant officer, who had arrested me, showing my glove-stretcher to the crowd. The police upon the world clustered about the instrument, and I heard the following remarks: "That is what he broke open the bank with." "That's what they got old Vanderbilt with." "It is eleven, very clever."

Detective Ignawk came in. He looked at me for a moment steadily; "It is him, sure," he remarked. "It's Jimmy the Dodger. Can't you see the resemblance? The Dodger had an eye. This fellow has an eye. The Dodger had two eyes. This fellow has two eyes. The Dodger had a stomach. Evidently this man has a stomach. Walk the resemblance is perfect. But I will make assurance doubly sure," said Detective Ignawk. "The Dodger would holler if you only clubbed him sufficiently. Boys, turn to, and club this man, and see if he won't holler."

Then they took down their clubs, and clubbed me black-and-blue, until I "hollered." "It's Jimmy the Dodger," said Detective Ignawk, and they hung their bruised clubs up.

Next day the papers remarked that "the boldness and bravery of Officer McPhiggins, and the sagacity of Detective Ignawk, in elbowing out the blindness of the possible clews through many labyrinths and turnings had resulted in the capture of that notorious burglar, Jimmy the Dodger."

### ORDERING HER COFFIN.

*New York Sun.*

In an upper chamber of Councilman Ogden's undertaking establishment in Elizabeth rests a burial casket, which, from its quaint design and peculiar history, attracts much attention. A month ago this gentleman was approached by one of Elizabeth's accomplished women, Miss Emma Mayo, who desired him to construct a coffin according to designs she would furnish. The Councilman asked his visitor for whom it was intended. Miss Mayo, unabashed, replied for herself. The undertaker was astounded, and imagined that she was joking. She, however, drew upon paper the outlines of a coffin different in shape from any he had seen, and told him that such was her fancy, and that, when completed, she would pay for it. Mr. Ogden saw that the order was to be executed, and began to consider how it could be obtained as to please his customer. A search was made, and through reservoirs and land-holders, at each step of the fractious animal giving as good an imitation of a Sioux war-whoop as a feminine voice is capable of. "Calamity Jane" is a character in the neighborhood. She has redeeming qualities. Everybody may have. She comes from a Virginia City, Mon., family of respectability and intelligence. The first step to ruin taken, she had not the moral courage to seek retirement—what encouragement would she have received had she attempted to do so!—and still there were levels of infamy and degradation to which she could not sink. So she must be "a woman of the world," she would at least save her independence of character,—while following the path of infamy through all its dark windings, she would continue mistress of her own destiny. She sought not the company attached of kindred associations, but preferred to stand alone, in brave defiance of a frowning world. Donning male attire in the mining-regions of Nevada, where no legal restraints were imposed upon such freaks of iniquitous eccentricity, she "took to the road," and has ever since been nomadic in her habits,—now forming one of a hunting party, then participating in a mining-stampede, again attached to and moving with a freighting train, and, it is said, she has even rendered good service as a scout in an Indian campaign. She has had experience as a stage-driver, and can draw the reins over six horses as skillfully as a veteran John, and handles a revolver with dexterity, and fires it as accurately as a Texas ranger. She is still in early womanhood, and her rough and dissipated career has not yet altogether

"Swept away the lines where beauty lingers."

### THE ENGLISH JOCKEY.

*Temple Bar.*

The fees earned by a successful jockey, speaking roundly, form the least portion of his income, as the presents given him by owners of horses and numerous "admirers," in the shape of betters who have backed his mounts, are frequent and valuable. Gold watches, diamond rings, and breastpins set with the rubies, riding horses, dog-carts, and yachts; as well as suits of clothes, new hats, boxes of cigars, and cases of champagne, are frequently bestowed on jockeys who win important races. It is noted in connection with one of ten years ago received in two seasons as many boxes of cigars as would have stocked a moderate shop. The same lad was also presented, in the course of his career, which, although of short duration, was exceedingly successful,—with eleven gold watches (he always used a silver one) and seven finger-rings set with diamonds, as well as with other valuable jewels. Money gifts to successful jockeys are now, however, the order of the day, and that such gifts are often of great magnitude there is abundant evidence to show. It is well known, for instance, in turf circles that the jockey who rode "Rosebery" (the chief jockey), the winner of the last Cesarewitch at Newmarket, was presented by the owner of the horse with a check for £1,000; a similar sum being given to the jockey who rode the winner of the Cambridgeshire, which race was also won by "Rosebery."

The present chief jockey, we believe, is not more than 24 years of age, and during the racing season of 1876 he rode not less than 657 times, and won 207 races,—a feat never before accomplished by any horseman on the turf. His five and three guinea fees (professional horsemen

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FRIDAY, APRIL 27, 1877.

## CHICAGO MARKET SUMMARY.

The Chicago produce markets were active and excited yesterday, but most of them were weak after the opening. Mess pork closed 50c per brl lower, at $16.00 asked for May and $16.17½@16.20 for June. Lard closed 12½c per 100 lbs lower, at $10.10@10.12½ for May and $10.22½@10.25 for June. Meats closed ¼c lower, at 5½c per lb for loose shoulders, 8c for do short ribs, and 8¼c for do short clears. Highwines were firmer, at $1.09@1.09½ per gallon. Flour was active and firm. Wheat closed 4@4½c lower, at $1.56½ for May and $1.70 for June. Corn closed 1c lower, at 55½c for May and 58c for June. Oats closed 1½c lower, at 40c for May and 41⅛c for June. Rye was buoyant, at 91@95½c. Barley was 2c higher, 80@82c. Hogs were quiet, and 15@20c lower, closing at $5.25@5.75. Cattle were dull and 10c lower, selling at $3.00@5.60. Sheep were unchanged. One hundred dollars in gold would buy $109.02½ in greenbacks at the close.

Greenbacks at the New York Gold Exchange yesterday closed at 93¾.

The first blow in the war seems likely to be struck at Barboschi. The Russians having anticipated the Turks in seizing the railroad bridge at that point, which crosses the River Sereth near its junction with the Danube at Galatz, the Turks have sent some gunboats up the river with instructions to destroy it. The Russian batteries and the Turkish gunboats may therefore have the first bout.

Accounts from various points in Minnesota, Iowa, Illinois, Kansas, Nebraska, and Missouri are encouraging with respect to the prospects for wheat and corn. A vast amount of seeding has been done within the past two or three weeks, the farmers being moved to extra efforts in order to offset, as far as possible, the ravages of the grasshoppers, so that the acreage will largely surpass that of previous years. Good crops will find the Northwest in shape to reap the full benefit of high prices.

What especially irritates the House absentees is the fact that THE TRIBUNE correspondent, being a Committee clerk, did not disobey instructions and suppress the evidence of their delinquencies; that, in other words, he did not accept the clerkship as a bribe, but held himself free to tell the truth, no matter who might happen to be the sufferers. If he had served the Committee as a suppressor of unpleasant facts with half the zeal he served the newspaper he represents, nothing would have been heard about the clerkship.

As any observer of events might have expected, Roumania, since the passage of the Danube by the Turks to Kalafat, is about to declare war against Turkey and unite her forces with Russia. This will add to the Russian army a force already in the field around Bucharest and Kradjova of thirty or forty thousand men, and, should the emergency require it, a total force of 100,000 well-drilled, well-disciplined, and well-armed troops. The Roumanians have only acted in the line of self-preservation. When the Russians crossed the Pruth, they fell back before them, shrewdly observing that they retired before a superior force, but when the Turks crossed the Danube, then the opportunity was offered them of making a choice, and they very wisely have cast their lot with the stronger Power.

A second letter from the Hon. ELIZUR WRIGHT, the late Insurance Commissioner of Massachusetts, is printed this morning on our sixth page. Mr. WRIGHT presents with great force the view that has been advocated by THE TRIBUNE, that the insurance companies should, at the time of issuing each policy, fix a definite surrender value for every year it runs. Aside from outright fraud, and misrepresentation as to whether the policy-holder has been honest, there has been nothing in insurance by which policy-holders have been so wronged as in the matter of surrender values. Indeed, as Mr. WRIGHT says, the bitter and just complaints of lapsing policy-holders, who have been compelled to take for their policies what the companies chose to give, are doing as much as anything else to injure the insurance business. Policy-holders should make themselves acquainted with their rights in this matter, and a person who intends to take insurance on his life should refuse to take a policy in any company that does not candidly and explicitly stipulate surrender values for each year.

SAM RANDALL was very confident, a week or two ago, of his ability, first, to secure the Democratic caucus nomination for Speaker of the next House, and, second, to unite the Democratic vote for his election. Latterly, however, he is not so certain of being his own successor. The candidacy of Mr. MORRISON, of Illinois, which was at first thought to be a tender to some bigger craft, now appears to be entirely in earnest; and if Mr. MORRISON should discover later on that he cannot command the votes necessary to elect him, it is said he will not cast his strength for RANDALL. The latter seemed to be weak in the South, where he is opposed by some members on the score of his high tariff doctrines, by others because of his opposition to projected measures for Southern improvements, and by the few obstructionists and implacables on account of his refusal to join in the conspiracy to defeat the Electoral count. Moreover, Sunset Cox has been carefully cultivating the good graces of the Southern Democrats of late, and there is no telling what promises he may have made and received.

Turkey was very courageous and impudent so long as she supposed that Russia would not fight; now that the Russian legions have crossed her frontiers, the Sick Man cries out to Europe for help, and expresses his conviction that "the friendly Powers, true to the feeling of benevolent intent which they have never ceased to manifest to the Ottoman Empire, will seize this opportunity to arrest the outbreak of a great war, thus sparing these countries the painful extremities with which they are threatened, and Europe herself the trouble and danger resulting from a conflict between two States,—a conflict of which the Sublime Porte can justly repudiate the entire responsibility." The cry comes too late. The war might have been arrested at any time during the past year, but he rejected every opportunity with contempt. By the signing of the protocol, and the rejection of it by the Porte, the Powers relegated Turkey to her punishment, and with that punishment there will be no interference so long as Russia confines herself to the business on hand. If there is anything more impudent than the manner in which Turkey rejected every overture for peace, it is her present outcry to Europe to stop the war.

The European war news thus far has but little of actual war in it, if we except an unconfirmed report from Turkish sources that the Russians have met a reverse on the Asiatic frontier, resulting in a loss of 800 men to the invaders. The Russian legions are pouring in over the Roumanian border, and there are now between 80,000 and 100,000 of these troops well advanced toward the Danube. One account intimates that a body of the invaders has even crossed that river in the vicinity of Gladova. All reports concur in the prediction that the several Russian corps now moving southward have a common destination, which is believed to be in the vicinity of Galatz, fifty miles or more from the point where the Danube empties into the Black Sea. All indications seem to point to this locality as the probable scene of the first great battle. So far as the Turkish provinces are known to have expressed their preferences regarding the approaching contest, there is little or no sympathy for the Porte, and, though considerable aid was expected from this source, there is no prospect that these expectations will be realized. Roumania is holding aloof, with a disposition to side openly with the Russians. Servia warns the Porte that the occupation of her territory by the Turks will be the signal for open rupture, and the Grecian islands are becoming restive, threatening to throw off their allegiance. Upon the whole, Turkey, with two powerful Russian armies threatening her from the east and north, and with her provinces outspoken in their hate of the Mussulman, has a dark future before her.

### THE WAR AND THE SPECULATORS.

The signs of war thus far have chiefly manifested themselves in this country on the Boards of Trade. The Russian Bear has been metamorphosed into a huge and impetuous Bull, who has been engaged in tossing grain in the most fantastic and amusing manner. The "scalper" has been in his element. The man who has been accustomed for some time past to hang around the outskirts of the wheat-corner all day, awaiting a turn of half a cent a bushel one way or the other, is now kept dancing and howling about to keep track of variations of several cents every few minutes. This is the very paradise (or pandemonium) of speculation. Already the wildest rumors of gain have infected the people. One man is said to have made $100,000; another four times as much; another pledged his watch for a margin and retired with $20,000 in his pocket a few hours later; the possibilities of gain are limited only by the imagination, and nobody contemplates the theory of loss. Whether this delirium of speculation will last long enough to take in a very wide circle outside of the Board of Trade depends on circumstance, and the extent of the evil it will produce will be only limited by its duration.

We speak now of the speculation, pure and simple, which has grown out of war and rumors of war. Of course there was reason for legitimate rise in the price of wheat, and in proportion of other grain and produce. The wheat market had been abnormally depressed for some months, owing mainly to the fact that Russia, anticipating war and the closing of its markets, had unloaded to Great Britain and realized on its property as rapidly as possible. The United States were informed that none of the American crops would be wanted abroad. In addition to this, the extent of the crop had been overestimated, and wheat sold far below what it was really worth. It is not surprising, therefore, that a sudden disclosure of the certainty that Great Britain would need all and more than the quantity of breadstuffs that America can supply should have given a quick and momentous impetus to the market. So far, so good. But in all this there was no reason why wheat should sell all the way from $1.65 to $1.80, and all the way back, within the space of two days. The fact seemed to be entirely ignored that, when it reached $1.80, wheat was really higher than it had ever been before. It is true that it once sold as high as $2.80 during our own war, but this was when gold was worth two and nearly three times as much as greenbacks. Now that the gold dollar is worth but a few cents more than the greenback dollar, wheat at $1.80 a bushel is higher than it ever was. Perhaps it was a gleam of something of this kind that caused it to go back yesterday at a rate which equaled the advance of the day before.

This sort of speculation will do the country no good. It is only the revival of a bad habit that will be followed by precisely the same consequences in all cases. It is the renewal of a debauch, common enough some years ago, which will bring on headaches and heartaches. The country will derive no benefit from it. The material advantage to the American people of this foreign war will depend upon its duration, and the consequent foreign demand upon American production and industry, but this speculative mania will make the material disadvantages apparent from the first. Flour already costs $1.50 per barrel more to the consumer than it cost a few weeks ago, and other commodities will follow in the same direction. The farmers, having parted with the bulk of their 1876 crop, will get no immediate benefit from the increased prices, and the war may be over before they will be able to realize on their crop of 1877. Meanwhile, the cost of living will have been increased to all by the speculative excitement, and the dollar which is earned in actual service will not be worth as much to the man who works for it, but whose compensation has not been enlarged by the speculative movement. Some men may grow suddenly rich and others suddenly poor, but this exchange of money on bets will be only detrimental to the community at large for the time being, and will in nowise affect the ultimate influence of the war upon the business of the United States.

Of course, we don't expect to put any check upon the gambling propensity of the Board of Trade speculators. They will make the most energetic use of the opportunity which the war excitement affords, and stand their individual losses and pocket their individual gains without any regard to the real condition of things. But a word of warning may keep the community from placing too much confidence in the ballooning of the Board of Trade enthusiasts, and induce people generally to avoid the infection. This country has had a sad experience in the prostration and exhaustion consequent upon the fever of speculation, and those who look calmly out into the future will prefer not to have another era of dissipation which will just as surely be followed by another era of depression.

### ROUMANIA.

The fact that the Russians are using Roumania as the territory through which to make their passage across the Danube gives that country a certain interest, and it may be that those who have only old atlases to consult will be puzzled to find where that country is located. Roumania is the name given to the united provinces of Wallachia and Moldavia (the name by which they are designated on the old maps), which were consolidated and guaranteed autonomy under a Prince of their own election by the Treaty of Paris in 1856. The new Government was organized in the following year. It comprises a part of the territory which, under the Roman Empire, was known as Dacia, and the people take their language and characteristics from the settlement of the province by Roman soldiers in the second century, after the conquest of the Dacians, who were among the most formidable foes of the early Roman Emperors. It is on this account that the people of Roumania resemble more nearly the Latin races than the Selavic population of the neighboring provinces. The chief city is Bucharest, with a population of about a quarter of a million, and the Roumanians are fond of designating it as a new Paris. The language spoken has been definitely classed among the Romance languages, to which the French, Spanish, Italian, and Portuguese belong, and the people are described to be of the same mercurial character as the French and Italians. In later times the two provinces of Wallachia and Moldavia were alternately under the dictation of the Russian and Turkish Empires. After the Russian war with Turkey, in 1828, Russia exercised a protectorate over them till the peace following the war of 1857-'6, when they were consolidated as Roumania, and the independence of the new country was recognized by both Turkey and Russia. The sympathy of the Roumanian people is supposed to be largely with Russia. It is certain that the Russian troops are crossing the territory without any opposition, though that might be accounted for by the fact that the Roumanians would be powerless to resist this encroachment. There is little doubt, however, that, if the Russians confine the war to Turkish territory, they will have the full sympathy and secret, if not open, assistance of the Roumanians.

### AN IMPLACABLE FALSEHOOD CORRECTED.

A common assertion made by the anti-HAYES Implacables which will not stand the test of verification is that the condition of the blacks has not been improved in those Southern States no longer under the rule of the carpet-baggers. In the early history of reconstruction all the Southern States passed into the hands of the carpet-baggers, and all but two had been released from their rule before Mr. HAYES became President. It was in those two States, under carpet-bag rule, that the worst outrages were committed and permitted. Let us recall some of the incidents of reconstruction in the other States. Virginia, under the rule of the carpet-baggers, was a prey to constant dissension and violence very much like Louisiana and South Carolina; but, during President GRANT'S first term, the Administration refused the aid of troops to sustain the carpet-baggers, and a sort of compromise was made with the Conservatives of the State. Since that time there has been little complaint from Virginia. Since the natives of North Carolina have got control of their own State and the troops have been withdrawn, there has been no more political disturbance there than in any State of the Union where there are conflicting issues. In Georgia the State was taken from the carpet-baggers partly because the carpet-baggers had stolen pretty much all there was worth taking and were willing to give up, and partly by the purchase of negro votes. Since then, Georgia has made no trouble requiring the interference of the General Government, and there were in the last campaign signs of a division of the whites into two parties which will guarantee the negroes their votes as surely as the mass of laboring men at the North have theirs. There was formerly outlawry in Tennessee and even Missouri under *quasi* carpet-bag rule, but there have been no disturbances since the enfranchisement of the Confederates has enabled the people of those States to choose their own officials. In Texas, a carpet-bag Governor, when defeated in election, made an appeal to President GRANT to have the military support of the Government in holding over; it was refused, and since then Texas has been as peaceable as that great frontier State ever has been. In Arkansas, Mr. JAMES G. BLAINE (now alleged to be a leader of the Implacables) appointed the Congressional Committee which recommended the policy of non-intervention that President GRANT adopted; the troops were withdrawn, the carpet-baggers emigrated, and there have been no more disturbances in Arkansas. So, one after another, in one way and another, some by enlarging the franchise, some by intimidation, and some by compromise, all the Southern States except two got rid of the carpet-baggers before President HAYES was inaugurated, and since then there have been no wholesale massacres of negroes and no systematic persecution in those States. It is folly, therefore, to charge upon President HAYES a desertion of the Republican party in the South, and it is false to say that the negroes are no better protected when the carpet-baggers were ousted than they were before. President HAYES has had the opportunity of applying his policy in only two States, and in both of those he has the most public and solemn assurance from the leaders of the whites that the new Government will furnish the protection which the carpet-baggers failed to give the negroes, in which respect his policy has been more fruitful than that of his predecessor in the Southern States in which the Republicans were defeated prior to his inauguration. The Implacables had better wait and see whether the new Government of Louisiana fail to keep their pledges before blaming President HAYES for accepting them, and keep in mind that the carpet-baggers had already been driven out of twelve other States without even a pledge of protection for the negroes left behind.

### AMERICAN TRADE IN MANUFACTURES.

We gather some of the material points and facts contained in a recent letter by Mr. EDWARD ATKINSON, of Boston, on the subject of cotton manufactures, and the opportunity of the Americans to not only occupy the existing markets in the world for cotton goods, but to enlarge that trade indefinitely. The information is interesting, and the suggestions, though confined to the cotton manufactures, is equally applicable to all branches of American industry. In the first place, the consumption of cotton by machine manufactures is equal annually to 2,906,000,000 pounds, of which Great Britain takes 1,297,000,000 pounds, the United States, 600,000,000 pounds, and the States of Europe, outside of Great Britain, 1,009,000,000. This is equal to 6,000 bales of the average weight of American bales. The United States, therefore, consume a fraction over one-fifth of the cotton; but of the American machine-made cotton, 93 per cent is used in this country and only 7 per cent is exported; while of the cotton goods made in Great Britain 85 per cent is exported and only 15 per cent consumed at home. Switzerland and Belgium are the only other countries which produce more cotton goods than they consume or export more than they import. The number of spindles in operation in the United States and Europe is 68,660,000, of which Great Britain has 39,000,000, the United States 9,600,000, France 5,000,000, Germany 4,650,000, Russia and Poland 2,500,000, Switzerland 1,850,000, Spain 1,750,000, Austria 1,580,000, Belgium 800,000. The weight of cotton per spindle varies from sixty-seven pounds per spindle in Austria and sixty-three pounds in the United States, to thirty-three and a half pounds in Great Britain and twenty-five pounds in Switzerland. Especial attention is given to the trade policy of Belgium, which, with a population of only 5,400,000, imported in 1875 to the value of $476,000,000 and exported to the value $420,000,000, that Government still adhering to the sound old doctrine that profits are to be found in the excess of imports over exports. If the foreign commerce of the United States were proportionate to that of Belgium, it would equal $7,000,000 a year, and a small average duty of 10 per cent on the import branch of the trade would not only pay all the expenses of the Government, but pay off the debt in a generation.

The supply of cotton goods to the world is mainly furnished by Great Britain and the United States. The consumption of cotton goods in this country is equal to twelve pounds per head of the population, while in Europe it is only equal to five pounds per head. The cotton manufacture in Great Britain retained for home consuption is about six pounds per head, and on the Continent of Europe not over four and a half pounds. The exports from Great Britain to countries other than Europe and the United States is 800,000,000 pounds, while 40,000,000 pounds are sent from the United States. The export of cotton fabrics to Asia, Africa, South and Central America, Mexico, and Australia is less than *one* pound of cotton per head to the population. It follows, then, that only one-fifth of the population of these countries is supplied by machine-made cotton. There remain, therefore, outside of the United States and Europe, 800,000,000 of people whose clothing consists mainly of cotton cloth, who are yet supplied by hand-spun and woven cloth. To supply these people with machine-made cotton at the rate of five pounds per head will require 4,000,000 additional bales of cotton a year and 40,000,000 additional spindles.

The prospective market for cotton goods is capable of almost unlimited extension. As yet the hand-made cotton has been but slightly displaced in China. At present but one person in seventeen in China is supplied with machine-made cotton to the extent of five pounds in the year. A letter from one of the Chinese Commissioners to our Centennial states that previous to the War American cotton goods were in demand in China, but after 1863 they were gradually replaced with English goods. But the time is now opportune for a renewal of the trade. The English goods are so heavily loaded with clay that they have lost their character, and honest goods will find a ready market. The obstruction to the general introduction of machine-made goods is the difficulty of finding other occupation for the multitudes in those countries who are engaged in spinning and weaving by hand. Another is that they can only purchase of us by exchange of commodities, and to command an export trade we must also maintain an import one. The hand-made cotton can hardly stand a competition with machine-made cotton. The average product of one operative in a mill at Lowell, for 300 working-days of ten hours each, is equal in one year to 28,500 yards,—a production that excludes all idea of competition on the part of hand-labor. The progress of improvement in machinery, if accompanied by an increase of trade, will increase this superiority.

The United States enjoy special advantages not only to compete for the cotton trade as it now exists, but for the immense increase of that trade which is inevitable. In the contiguity to the cotton-fields, the use of water-power, the price of coal, and in the cost of iron, steel, and copper, we are even with England in all, and in some of these have the advantage; and, even so far as the rates of wages affect the cost of production, we can afford to pay higher wages and yet produce cotton cloth at a lower cost. It is assumed, upon the the experience of years, that the difference in the price of cotton in Liverpool and New York is nine-tenths of one cent per pound. If wages were 20 per cent less in Manchester than in Lowell, the difference of one-half cent per pound in the cost of cotton would be offset; and, if the difference were three-fourths of a cent, Lowell could pay 33 per cent higher wages, other items of cost being even. The wages in England and the United States are not very different. But the British manufacturer has the advantage of exemption from taxation. England imposes no municipal or national taxes, either of rates, excise, or tariff, on the machinery, materials, or processes of manufacture, or on the goods made or imported. While the American pays heavy duties on the soda-ash, bleaching powders, drugs, dyes, and chemicals used in bleaching, dyeing, and printing, the English manufacturer pays none. A yard-wide fabric of the fair average quality exported to the East, if made honestly and not loaded with other substances, can be made profitably in England or in the United States, with cotton at 12½ cents a pound, at 6 cents a square yard, and the margin between the good mill and the poor one, or between one country and the other, will not exceed half a cent a square yard. The competition for the trade of the world is within the limit of half a cent a yard on the cloth woven!

With 800,000,000 of the world's population still supplied with clothing from hand-made cloth, with the capacity at Lowell of producing cotton cloth at the rate of 28,500 yards a year from each operative, with the competition for the world's trade reduced within the limit of half a cent a square yard, with the great bulk of the raw material produced at our door, with cheap food, cheap and abundant fuel, with skill and labor equal to any demand, there is no reason why the United States may not at once grasp the existing trade, and gradually and rapidly enlarge and extend it to double its present magnitude. The only thing standing in the way is the barbaric policy to which the nation clings. It taxes the product at every stage. It taxes the capital employed in machinery and buildings, and it taxes the machinery and buildings. It taxes every drug, or chemical, or dye. It taxes the oil and the fuel. It taxes the packing-cases. It taxes the goods when made. It taxes the vessels that transports the goods to market, and it taxes heavily and inordinately all the goods and materials which are received in exchange. The only obstacle in the way of the United States grasping and retaining the world's trade in cotton manufactures is the inexorable ignorance which insists on the prohibition of all commercial intercourse with other nations. What is true of the foreign trade in cotton goods is also true on another scale of other branches of industry. American industry is shackled and imprisoned. It exists in spite of the Governmental efforts to crush it. If those shackles were removed, and American manufacturers made as free as in other lands, they would soon settle the question of competition.

### THE SHRIEKING SHIRKERS.

The publication by THE TRIBUNE of a list showing the number of times each member of the Illinois House of Representatives has failed to answer to roll-call since the termination of the Senatorial contest seems to have operated like the display of a red rag upon an infuriated bull. The list was procured by our correspondent in accordance with specific instructions from the editor of this paper, the purpose being to inform the people of Illinois with the utmost possible accuracy concerning the manner in which their interests have been looked after by the members of the Legislature elected to perform that especial duty. The correspondent obeyed instructions, and from the best data within reach supplied the desired information, the importance and value of which are more than ever apparent from the furious demonstrations of rage which were yesterday showered upon the reporter who furnished the objectionable matter for publication. A glance at the history of this question of absenteeism will discover what cause the shrieking shirkers have for venting their malice and airing their billingsgate after the manner of yesterday. The hindrance to the progress of business growing out of the absence of nearly one-half of the members of the Legislature during nearly one-half of the time had of late grown so serious as to demand that measures be taken to remedy the evil, and with this view an address was telegraphed from Springfield to the daily press of the State, by the request of such of the members of both Houses as had remained at their posts, and printed last Monday, setting forth the fact that, "owing to the continued absence of at least two-thirds of the members of the General Assembly, the business of legislation has been almost suspended"; that members came each week to Springfield Tuesday night or Wednesday morning, and, after waiting until Thursday night or Friday morning, traveled home again, or wherever they chose to go, on their railroad passes. It was urged that the people of the State take the matter in hand and insist that these members "return at once to Springfield and remain there until the business of the session is transacted"; and that, "if members will not stay here, let public meetings be held and resolutions adopted asking them to resign, to the end that men may be elected who will stay here and give attention to public business."

The publication of this vigorous protest failing to produce the desired result, an effort was made on Tuesday last by Mr. WENTWORTH, of Cook, to secure the passage of a resolution in the House authorizing the official examination of the Journal to ascertain from the roll-call the number of times each member had answered to his name, and had failed to answer. Here was an opportunity to obtain an accurate report for publication, but the House refused to pass the resolution. Thereupon THE TRIBUNE correspondent obtained from the record the information in question, and it was forwarded by telegraph and published in our issue of Wednesday, April 25, and, excepting a few errors which occurred in transmission, the figures were accurate; but to make certain of correctness we print this morning a copy received by mail. Mention was also made in this connection of the sufficient excuses for absence of several members who had been called away by illness and death at home, or were required to be absent by official business. The publication of the names of the absentees has hit hard, just as we supposed it would. The men who were drawing pay each week for seven days' work and doing three and one-half days' work were not disturbed on account of this anomalous state of things until their names appeared in print, and the record of their neglect of the people's business was placed before the people. If the record is faulty, the chronic absentees are alone to blame, for they refused to permit it to be made up officially. The record, however, is not faulty unless it be that it fails to tell the whole truth—it gives no account of the actual number of days each member has been wholly absent from his seat, which in many cases would average fully one-half the time. THE TRIBUNE would gladly have printed for the information of its readers a summary of the call of the House each morning upon being called to order by the Speaker, but since no such call is allowed no perfect record of their shortcomings is available; therefore we must be content with such information as the absentees are unable to withhold from the press.

Concerning the charge that the correspondent of THE TRIBUNE has drawn pay throughout the session as clerk of several House Committees, and has not performed the services required of him in that capacity,—we have to say that the editor of this paper was not aware that the correspondent was serving in the capacity mentioned, or in any capacity whatsoever save as correspondent of THE TRIBUNE. It appears, however, that his services gave entire satisfaction to the respective Committees up to the time of the publication of the names of the absentees; and it therefore follows, either that the Committeemen have been derelict in their duties in not sooner discovering the fact that their clerk was not earning his pay, or else that the whole matter of the Committee clerkship is now brought forward out of revenge and spite. In any event, the shrieking shirkers will not succeed in diverting public attention from their own outrageous neglect of the people's interests in any such way. They were elected by the people—the correspondent was not; they are responsible to the people for the disgraceful idleness which has signalized the present Legislature over all its predecessors, and no exhibition of petty malice toward the person or the newspaper responsible for the exposure of their deliberate and habitual absenteeism will turn aside the severe condemnation they so richly merit.

The Lincoln (Neb.) *Journal* says THE CHICAGO TRIBUNE "sneers at the moss-backs who have been turned by the hundreds out of the departments at Washington, and works up its sarcastic vein to the utmost over their distress at finding reinstatement impossible." This "machine-organ" is mad as a March hare at the discharge of a thousand or more superfluous clerks who were eating up a million of taxes when their services were of no value to the Government. It would make its soul glad to hear that a thousand useless clerks were fastened on the pay-rolls. To discharge persons not needed is a kind of Civil-Service reform that gives it the colic to contemplate. But it will have to endure the sight of more of this work. The President has determined to discontinue sinecures, and reduce the force of officeholders to correspond with the public requirements. If the statement of this fact is a "sneer" or a "sarcasm," the Lincoln (Neb.) machine-organ will have to stand it.

Senator GORDON, of Georgia, in a letter denying that he was party to any bargain looking to Democratic aid in closing the Presidential count or in organizing Congress, makes an important admission in these words:

> When I saw that Mr. TILDEN'S cause was hopelessly lost—lost by want of concert of action prior to the passage of the Electoral bill—lost beyond the power of rescue by any man or set of men, I determined to do all in my power to save from the wreck local self-government to South Carolina and Louisiana.

It was not, then, the Electoral bill or its treatment subsequent to its passage or the Commission which it created that defeated Mr. TILDEN. Mr. GORDON'S verdict, which is the verdict of prominent Southern Democrat, is that the Commission and Mr. HAYES are guiltless of the charges made against them by the Democrats of the North; for Mr. TILDEN'S cause was a lost cause before the compromise of an Electoral bill was passed.

It is reported in Eastern papers that ex-Senator LOGAN is organizing an opposition to the President in the West to act in harmony with an alleged movement of a similar kind engineered by BLAINE in the East. We do not credit the report, and believe it to be without basis; but should it be true, if JOHN will devote "two weeks" to a study of the Doctrine of Probabilities, he will throw up the project with as much avidity as that with which the whale ejected JONAH.

New York has a sort of insurance morgue where a fine array of life companies are laid out, all of which met their deaths by suicide,—the taking of that most percolating of poisons, dishonesty. The record of their existence is a sickening one of fraud and robbery, for which it seems the Insurance Department of the State is to blame. The great regret which irate policyholders will most warmly entertain is that the officers themselves are not in the same condition as their companies.

It is announced that Mr. ABRAM S. HEWITT is about to visit Georgia. If there is any political significance to the movement of Mr. TILDEN'S Prime Minister, it probably is connected with what may be denominated an interjection policy of the Democracy for the Southern States,—a policy greatly needed to counteract the sedative measures of the Administration.

It might be in order to compare the visits made to their invalid families by legislators at the expense of the State, to those usually made by them to the neglect of their private business. It is wonderful how affectionate some men become when they ride on passes and the public treasury pays their salaries during visits of a conjugal and philoprogenital character.

It is difficult to understand the cause of the severe and even threatening comments of the London papers on the Czar of Russia's declaration of war, unless it may be found in the fact that he did not solicit their advice in the matter of issuing a paper that "leaped at once into universal circulation," as was said at the birth of STOREY'S *Telegraph*.

If the members of the Springfield Legislature would give as much attention to the business of the people as they do to the concerns of THE TRIBUNE, their services would be worth at least 25 cents a day to the State. This, of course, does not apply to Catskin KEARNEY. His services are of no value under any circumstances.

Who is W. H. PAINTER? We know that his is the address to which the Hon. B. F. WADE wrote his late letter. But who is he in reality? The New York *Tribune* suggests that the name is a *nom de plume*. No matter. Whether PAINTER or not, he has been artist enough to draw the fire of the retired warrior.

The chap who writes paragraphs for the *Journal* evidently thinks he is serving an apprenticeship with an undertaker, and he is not far from right. He would make a fortune where "hired mourners" are in fashion. He could furnish gloom enough to tone down the funeral of a departed mother-in-law.

Since the terrible scenes attendant upon the hanging of STERLING at Youngstown, O., last Saturday, a number of papers demand what they call a "scaffold reform." If they would but think a minute they would see that it is impossible for a murderer to live up to the best of such platforms.

The *I.-O.* is solid against the President this morning. It is bound to have revenge for not securing a second office.—*Evening Post.*

The *Post* means a third office—the Pension Agency for the Receiver, NIXON, as HAM and PALMER are already provided with the Appraisership and Post-Office.

The "wit" of the *I.-O.* says he would be a great deal funnier if he could get money enough to pay his board-bill. Even the few readers of that paper would do well to lift a collection for the poor fellow. It would enliven even the editor of the *I.-O.* to get his salary to date.

Lieut.-Gov. BRUMAN should be telegraphed for. The *Journal* will not know whether "to bury PACKARD or to praise him" until his return, as it takes a man of experience and nerve to pilot an old-fashioned newspaper like our amiable evening contemporary through political Narrows.

The Sultan begins to beg before the Bear has got near enough to give him a preliminary squeeze. Now he can appreciate the feelings of the inmates of the Seraglio. He knows how it is himself to be hugged against his will.

If the Bible read "Let him that stole steal some more," every thieving County Commissioner would carry a copy in his breast-pocket and use it a great deal oftener than he ever did his pocket-handkerchief.

Mr. MOODY tells the Boston people that he is not after their money but their souls. That announcement will discourage them, as they have heretofore carried their own insurance on their souls.

The trouble with BLAINE is that he has lived in a pine country so long he doesn't know how to show his friendship for anybody except by "giving 'em tar." He means all right, though.

Says the *Graphic*: WARMOTH deserts to NICHOLLS,—eccentric and volatile creature! It is understood that he carries with him $100,000 clear gain, and an apathetic conscience void of offense.

Turkey is said to have offered the *I.-O.* an old eunuch and a pair of bar-trousers for its support. Now let us hear from Russia. Go slow, neighbor, till the bids are all in.

VON MOLTKE did not speak in a very loud voice day before yesterday when he mentioned France's armies, yet he was heard all over Europe. He has a rasping voice.

The war editor of the *Times* says that the advance of Russia into Turkey is "in-soultan." He doesn't mean a pun either; it's his way of pronouncing.

Gen. SHERIDAN wants the Indians to become a nation of herdsmen. But how are they going to get horses and mules to herd, if the troops are taken away?

The falsettos of the rear-guard of the Republican party are singing solemn songs just now. They believe themselves the Psalm-sons of the period.

The Russian bear is in Roumania; the wheat bear is in Rue-money-a, or a Rue-mania, or Rheu-matic, or something of the kind.

The President still holds Col. INGERSOLL in reserve. He will have no "gods" in his theology or "little dahes" in his politics.

Will the President please to consider that 9 will require a *few* able-bodied men to be left in Ohio, just to "move the crops"?

Their Imperial Princes ALEXIS and CONSTANTINE are called the Roosian Dooks by some and Muscovy Ducks by others.

SUVRO says that his tunnel is 16,500 feet long. He would not brag so loadly had he heard of the *Times'* pneumatic tubes.

The Sultan would do well to send that "number from Jerusalem" after a handsome assortment of olive branches.

What has become of Coroner DIETZSCH? He hasn't poked fun at a corpse for a month.

## PERSONAL.

Bishop Spalding, of Peoria, is to be consecrated by Cardinal McCloskey in the Cathedral in Mott street, New York, May 1.

The London *Times*, during the last six months, has gradually reduced the weight of its white paper, and thereby affected a saving of $50,000.

"There will be much and just criticism of Mr. Evarts," says one authority, "if he really proposes to keep up his law practice." But he doesn't so propose.

The Marquis de Talleyrand-Perigord, a collateral descendant of the great statesman, has proclaimed his adhesion to the Republic in a pamphlet entitled "Un de Plus."

The Springfield *Republican* thinks the woman-suffrage organs ought to drop the obnoxious word "lady." Is it too late to suggest an amendment to the Constitution providing for "gentleman" and "lady" suffrage exclusively?

The forty-third annual exhibition of the Philadelphia Academy of Fine Arts has begun in the new building. The Academy's own pictures, the remnants of the late loan collection, and a number of local contributions are shown.

Wayne MacVeagh, one of the most valuable members of the late Louisiana Commission, is pressed for the post of Minister to Russia. His long service in a similar capacity at Constantinople would no doubt make him useful at St. Petersburg.

Miss Winnie Howells, the daughter of the novelist, is announced as the author of a sonnet. She is but 14 years of age, and the *Independent* says that nothing could be more appropriate than for a poetess of her age to appear in what Charles Lamb used to call a "fourteener."

When Senator Flanagan left Washington he carried a barrel

# VEXED.

## The House Stirred to Its Foulest Depths by the Publication of Its Record.

## A Torrent of Disgraceful Abuse Poured upon The Tribune Correspondent.

## The Loafers Take the Bridle Off the Tongues of Their Lowbreds,

## And Spur Their Champions to Extraordinary Triumphs of Swashbuckling.

## The Absentees Vile-Mouthed in the Direct Ratio of Their Dereliction.

## The Correspondent Responds to So Impressive an Encore with a Corrected List.

## A Number of Measures of Varying Importance Passed by the Senate.

### THE ABSENTEES.

THEY CHARGE UPON THE TRIBUNE CORRESPONDENT, ROSER, FOOTS, AND DRAGOONS; HIDE, HAIR, TALLOW, AND GREASE.

*Special Dispatch to The Tribune.*

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., April 26.—The House assembled this morning in an ugly frame of mind. THE TRIBUNE'S publication of the absentees and non-voting record of members for 201 roll-calls since the election of United States Senator was what made the House ugly. Having Tuesday, by voting down Wentworth's resolution, voted to conceal the facts as to their absenteeism and neglect of official duty, they were naturally displeased when THE TRIBUNE let daylight in upon the record. It was more than they had counted on,—an exasperating lot more. As in the transmission by telegraph some few errors occurred, the list is now repeated:

| AGAIN. | | | |
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| Abel | 28 | Mace | 55 |
| Albright | 42 | Matthews | 90 |
| Allen | 57 | McCreery | 50 |
| Armstrong | 130 | McKinley | 56 |
| Barry | 58 | Merritt | 25 |
| Baldwin | 38 | Mitchell | 70 |
| Bartholow | 39 | MacDonald | 80 |
| Berry | 52 | Montgomery | 31 |
| Bibb | 35 | Moore | 22 |
| Black | 54 | Morgan | 85 |
| Bowen | 34 | Morrison, of Christian | 116 |
| Bower | 40 | Morrison, of Morgan | 65 |
| Boynton | 37 | Morris | 42 |
| Brown | 74 | Oakwood | 24 |
| Buckmaster | 59 | Orendorff | 31 |
| Burns | 73 | Pearce, of Madison | 112 |
| Cain | 36 | Pierce, of Pope | 28 |
| Callon | 104 | Phillips, of Franklin | 21 |
| Case | 36 | Phillips, of Montgomery | 21 |
| Cullom | 106 | Pinney | 72 |
| Cameron | 21 | Powell | 73 |
| Chambers | 73 | Powers | 79 |
| Cheney | 37 | Ramey | 41 |
| Church | 41 | Ramsey | 33 |
| Colter | 38 | Ranney | 23 |
| Comstock | 39 | Reavis | 53 |
| Cook | 38 | Reavill | 53 |
| Crooker | 37 | Reed | 33 |
| Crow | 37 | Richardson | 58 |
| Davis | 62 | Robison, of Fulton | 90 |
| Dement | 63 | Robinson, of Effingham | 115 |
| Dixon | 77 | Rockafellow | 41 |
| Dunn | 77 | Rogers | 100 |
| Eagleton | 51 | Rose | 29 |
| Eberle | 51 | Rouse | 73 |
| Evans, of Bond | 18 | Rowell | 142 |
| Evans, of Knox | 26 | Sackett | 33 |
| Fahnestock | 56 | Sexton | 58 |
| Farwell | 37 | Sheridan | 58 |
| Fifer | 58 | Sherman | 109 |
| Flagg | 55 | Sittig | 37 |
| Fuller | 51 | Smith, of Cook | 43 |
| Gillespie | 62 | Smith, of Macoupin | 62 |
| Gill | 62 | Smith, of Tazewell | 42 |
| Goodell | 118 | Stowell | 58 |
| Graham | 50 | Strawn | 50 |
| Granger | 44 | Taylor, of Cook | 31 |
| Green | 107 | Taylor, of Kankakee | 107 |
| Hall | 9 | Thomas | 9 |
| Hamilton | 39 | Thompson | 71 |
| Harlan | 53 | Tice | 39 |
| Harper | 157 | Tierney | 50 |
| Hickerson | 32 | Treadell | 96 |
| Higgins | 76 | Tyrrell | 48 |
| Hill | 122 | Vandeventer | 45 |
| Hoge | 22 | Voss | 66 |
| Holden | 64 | Walker | 65 |
| Hoge | 50 | Wall | 80 |
| Hopkins | 39 | Warren | 60 |
| Hopkins | 39 | Watkins | 105 |
| Ireland | 31 | Wells | 36 |
| Jones | 117 | Wentworth | 41 |
| Keck | 45 | Westfall | 47 |
| Kelly | 68 | Wheeler | 115 |
| Kenney | 93 | Whitaker, of McD | 85 |
| Kenney | 80 | Whitaker, of St. C | 57 |
| Kirby | 49 | Wilderman | 49 |
| Lindley | 51 | Williams | 35 |
| Lindsay | 48 | Williams | 105 |
| Lohn | 91 | Winter | 19 |
| Loplin | 47 | Wood | 31 |
| Louks | 22 | Woodward | 60 |
| Lyman | 60 | Wright | 44 |
| Lesper | 50 | Zepp | 24 |
| Maloney | 48 | Speaker Shaw | 19 |

Messrs. Treadell, Rowett, and Goodrich were absent a month on the park investigation.

Mr. Heffernan has been sick for over two months and is now scarcely able to get out.

Mr. Gilbert also suffered a long severe illness.

Messrs. Koplin, Powers, Taggart, and Rogers have been on the sick-list.

Mr. Armstrong, who is always in attendance when well, has been sick for weeks. Mr. Sexton was called home for nearly two weeks by the serious illness of both his wife and a child.

Mr. Herron was absent because of sickness in his family. The same is true of Mr. Robinson, of Fulton.

Both Messrs. Voss and Klehm suffered protracted illness.

### MR. JAY HERDIN'T GET MAD.

The first of the exasperated to gain the floor was Mr. Jay. He said he didn't know how the record set it down, but the record lied if it said he hadn't voted every time. He made no charges. The Journal or THE TRIBUNE lies.

### A GALLON OF SWASH.

Mr. Callon (104) offered the following:

WHEREAS, One Harry W. Thomson, reporter for THE CHICAGO TRIBUNE, was, in consideration of pecuniary, pertinacious solicitation, and request, appointed clerk of the following standing committees:

1. Fees and Salaries;
2. Rivers and Canals;
3. Fees and Salaries;
4. Federal legislation;

and proceeded to act as clerk of said several committees; and

WHEREAS, It is asserted and charged against him, that the said Thomson, that, during the period of sixty days of such employment, he was absent from said duty, did not perform, but wholly neglected, his duties as such Clerk, and, in addition thereto, in matter of drawing his pay, which he did, during all this time, with great promptness and regularity at the rate of $4 per day; and

WHEREAS, It further appears that during the whole or the prolonged absence of said clerk from the said committee-rooms, or owing to his rare and hasty visits thereto, a very large amount of stationery belonging to said rooms has disappeared; and

WHEREAS, It is not known to the members of this House how much, nor what kind of other property belonging to the State may have been purloined from said committee-rooms during the time the said Thomson was in charge of said rooms, or was clerk or taking charge of them; and

WHEREAS, If the charge of absenteeism made against the said Thomson be true, it becomes his duty to at once cover into the Treasury the said sum of $240 (the same) and the amount received from the State; and

WHEREAS, If it be true that property of the State has been purloined while constructively in his custody, he should be required to account for the same, regardless of the fact whether he may have converted such property to his own use and benefit or not; and

WHEREAS, If said Thomson be guilty, it may be a grave question to consider whether the said Thomson should be allowed to the privilege of the floor of the House; therefore,

*Resolved*, That a committee of three be appointed by the Chair to inquire into the charges against the said Thomson, and that, pending such investigation, said Committee be authorized and directed to take all proper steps to secure to the State the stationery and other property remaining in said committee-room, and to prevent further depredations thereon, and that they report to this House the amount of compensation, if any, so illegally and fraudulently received by the said Thomson, and the amount and value of all property, if any, so purloined.

MESSRS. JAMES (68), MORRIS (93), AND ROWETT (142).

Mr. James moved the adoption of the resolution.

Mr. Morris moved to table the resolution. He didn't know whether the report was true or false. He didn't care. He wasn't afraid of his record, but he was opposed to the resolution because it looked like an attempt to wreak vengeance upon somebody who had published what was supposed to be the record. Besides, he believed in returning good for evil. Do unto others which ye would have others do unto you. [Laughter and applause.] The fact is, this House ought to have been through with its business long ago.

Mr. Rowett made the point of order that Mr. Morris had no right to tell the House what it ought to do.

### A SUBSTITUTE.

Mr. Matthews offered the following substitute:

WHEREAS, There is pending in THE CHICAGO TRIBUNE of the 25th inst. what purports to be a record of the votes of members of this House were absent or failed to vote on pending questions; and

WHEREAS, Said report is grossly unjust and untrue, in the opinion of this House, in many respects, and does great injustice to many of the members; therefore, be it

*Resolved*, That the Clerk be and he is hereby directed to cause the record to be published to be revised and the errors therein pointed out, if any, and that he report his proceedings to this House without delay for its action.

### FAUGH!

Mr. Callon (104) said charges had been made against this young man of which he might or might not be guilty, or innocent, whatever. If he was guilty, what should be the action of the House? It was a question which ought to be investigated. If property had been filched from the committee-room by him or while it was under his charge, that fact should be made public.

Mr. Rowett (who by error in proof-reading was marked absent or not voting fourteen times when it should have been 142 times) wanted the resolution adopted, so that the matter might be investigated.

Mr. Morris wanted to ask the gentleman from Morgan (Callon, 104) whether it had only been found out that THE TRIBUNE correspondent was guilty of stealing since he had published this.

Mr. Rowett (142) said he didn't know about that. He didn't care what the papers said. What he did care about was, to know whether employes of the House were thieves or not.

### REBUKE.

Mr. Herrington called the attention of the House to the editorial of THE TRIBUNE promising to publish the record of members. He said yesterday THE TRIBUNE had partially fulfilled its promises. In so doing THE TRIBUNE had touched some members on the raw, and this resolution was simply making the reporter a scapegoat. It was an unfair and cowardly attack upon this employe for doing his duty,—for carrying out the orders of his employer. The editor of THE TRIBUNE was responsible. If wrong was done he was responsible. If the report was incorrect, the editor, not the reporter, was responsible. But the House itself was responsible, if there was any error in the report, for the majority had voted down Mr. Wentworth's resolution. He believed the reporter had done his duty, and done it well, and he entered his protest against the resolution.

Mr. Pinney

### WANTED SOMEBODY CENSURED

for the report. It was incorrect, and he wanted somebody held up to condemnation for it.

Mr. Granger moved the previous question. While two dozen, more or less, of exasperated members were claiming the floor, the Speaker put the question to vote *viva voce*, and declared the previous question ordered.

Mr. Treadell demanded the ayes and noes. A resolution of this consequence ought to be discussed before it was acted upon. If that was to be done, then he wanted the record upon it. He wanted to know what had become of Mr. Matthews' substitute.

The Speaker ruled that it was not before the House, not having been offered at the proper time.

Then there was more prodigious squabble by the exasperated.

### FINALLY THE ROLL WAS CALLED

called on Mr. Callon's resolution, which was adopted by a vote of 99 to 38. The vote was as follows:

| YEAS. | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Abel | Gray | Powers | |
| Albright | Grinnell | Ramey | |
| Allen | Hall | Merrill | |
| Baldwin | Heffernan | Reed | |
| Bartholow | Henry | Robison (Fulton) | |
| Berry | Hogan | Robinson (Effingham) | |
| Bibb | Hopkins | Rose | |
| Black | Hurd | Rouse | |
| Bower | Jones | Rowell | |
| Boyd | Jay | Rowett | |
| Boynton | Kearney | Sackett | |
| Brown | King | Secrist | |
| Browning | Ledgerwood | Sexton | |
| Buckmaster | Lindsay | Smith (Sangamon) | |
| Budlong | Mace | Stowell | |
| Busey | Matthews | Taylor (Cook) | |
| Byers | McCreery | Taylor (Kankakee) | |
| Callon | McKinley | Tice | |
| Cannon | Merritt | Tierney | |
| Chambers | Mitchell | Voss | |
| Cheney | Monohon | Walker | |
| Clover | Montgomery | Washburn | |
| Collier | Moore | Wells | |
| Connelly | Morrison (Christian) | Westfall | |
| Cronkrite | Morrison (Morgan) | Wheeler | |
| Curtis | Neal | Whitaker (McD.) | |
| Davis | Oakwood | Wright | |
| Deneis | Orendorff | Vandeventer | |
| Deane | Pierce (Pope) | Yoe | |
| Easton | Phillips (Montgomery) | Zepp | |
| Eberle | Pinney | Mr. Speaker | |
| English | Powell | | |
| Fosbender | | | |
| Fountain | | | |
| Fritts | | | |
| Granger | | | |

| NAYS. | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Crooker | Kodzie | Reman | |
| Dixon | Klehm | Ross | |
| Evans (Bond) | Louks | Sexton, | |
| Evans (Knox) | Lattimer | Stitts | |
| Gill | Lott | Smith (Tazewell) | |
| Hall | Morris | Thomas | |
| Hanley | Orendorff | Turner | |
| Hendrickson | Pierce | Vandeventer | |
| Herrington | Phillips (Montgomery) | Wall | |
| Hervey | Raley | Wentworth | |
| Hickey | Ramey | Wilderman | |
| Hollister | Ramsey | Winter | |
| Keck | Reavill | Mr. Speaker | |

Pending the roll-call

### MR. MATTHEWS

said he wanted to vote aye, but he did not relish the reflection upon THE TRIBUNE correspondent, whom he (Matthews) had known for years. Mr. Matthews was proceeding when he was hooted down by yells and cries of "Order," "Question," "Don't want to hear it," etc.

### CATKIN KEARNEY (80)

said there was no occasion for caring what THE CHICAGO TRIBUNE said. He didn't care. It was a dirty, lying sheet.

Then more of the gentlemen who didn't care a straw what THE TRIBUNE said rose, and, with the fury of bulls rushing at a red rag, proceeded to prove how very much they did care for THE TRIBUNE, and how awfully it hurt when THE TRIBUNE published their record. McKinley did, so did Catskin Kearney again. He read the paragraph from THE TRIBUNE about Sherman looking sick when the Wentworth resolution was voted down, "but a dirty dog would make such a remark; no one but a disreputable whelp of a dirty dog;

### ONLY A WHORE'S SON,

would make such an attack. He believed THE TRIBUNE correspondent was a thief.

Mr. Morrison, of Christian (114), uprose and went for Mr. Wentworth (1) as the concoctor of all the mischief. As for THE CHICAGO TRIBUNE, down in his country

### THEY DIDN'T KNOW THERE WAS SUCH A PAPER.

He didn't care for it; but to indicate, as it were, how he winced under THE TRIBUNE, he pointed his finger at THE TRIBUNE'S correspondent, and, at the conclusion of an awful burst of "sarkasm," advised the correspondent to fold up his ears and shut his eyes. Ears that hear and eyes that see what is going on here, it would seem, Mr. Morrison likes not.

Mr. Matthews renewed his substitute now as an original resolution. If what was published was false, it was incumbent, and members had been asked by it, and THE TRIBUNE did good public service by publishing it. If what was published was false, it ought to be corrected.

Mr. Black (24) moved to table the resolution.

Mr. Rowett (142) offered an amendment, providing that the report should show what days members were absent on Committee work.

Mr. Herron moved to amend the amendment so as to have reported the date of absence.

Mr. Herron said he did not fear to have his record made public, but he did not believe in singling out the reporters to furnish the news for publication upon the floor under cover of the privilege of a member.

### THE NEWSPAPERS HAD A RIGHT

to publish all the proceedings of the House. Freedom of the press was guaranteed by the Constitution, and was one of the safeguards of popular liberty, and he did not attack it. But as the report was made up in THE TRIBUNE it was not to be relied upon for days but for roll-calls. Some days there were several roll-calls. Some days there was no roll-call. On Saturdays and Mondays a roll-call would show no quorum present, and would stop business. He had been away by reason of scarlet fever in his family, and he had been away on business that could not be delayed, but he had been in his seat when all important legislation was under consideration.

Other amendments were attempted, but were cut off in the midst of

### TREMENDOUS EXCITEMENT

by a motion made by Mr. Granger to table the resolution and amendments, which was put *viva voce*, and declared carried.

Notwithstanding the tabling of the motion, the exasperated continued talking, or attempting to talk, a great many of them at the same time, and the confusion and excitement was redoubled, the House being in fact reduced to a mere disorderly mob.

Mr. Cronkrite (35) at last obtained the floor, and proceeded to attack THE TRIBUNE, THE TRIBUNE report, and THE TRIBUNE correspondent. He leveled his indignation at the correspondent, for whom he went wildly, and whom he designated as

"THAT DIRTY THING IN THE CORNER,"

and time and time again did he repeat the gesture and the phrase, which seemed mightily to relieve his pent-up feelings.

The scene grew so disgraceful that at last Mr. Truesdell (96) moved to adjourn.

Mr. Morris obtained the floor, and, amidst rowdyish interruptions, protested against the proceeding. He said it was beneath the dignity of the House for members to use their privileges to abuse a private individual.

### THE UPROAR

continuing, Mr. Wilkinson moved to adjourn.

Mr. Truesdell moved to take from the table the Matthews resolution.

Mr. Hopkins objected, and demanded the regular order.

Mr. Sherman rose to a question of personal privilege, and referred to the fact that he had been detained at home by a death in his family, which fact was also stated in THE TRIBUNE at the time. But Mr. Sherman, notwithstanding, also joined the band of the exasperated, and ousted himself red in the face against THE TRIBUNE. But Sherman neglected to state that he invited himself to go with the Committee on State Institutions on the regular junketing tour, and did accompany them part of the way, though he was not a member of that Committee.

Mr. Granger made the point that the motion to take from the table was not in order, the pending business being bills on third reading.

Mr. Matthews again spoke in favor of his substitute, which the Chair finally ruled had been tabled.

### NO RECORD WANTED.

Mr. Sherman moved to suspend the rules in order that he might introduce a motion to take the Matthews resolution from the table.

Amidst much confusion the roll was called and the motion lost, two-thirds being voting in the affirmative, the vote being 89 ayes, 46 noes, and with that the disgraceful scene ended.

### SUMMED UP

it was this: The majority, to shield itself from the record, collectively and individually turned upon the man who published the record and yelled "liar" and "horse-thief." Meanwhile the facts stand of record. For the rest, the House tolerated unmitigated blackguardism that would not be tolerated in an ordinary bar-room. But the *facts* are unchanged, and now those who were loudest in crying "Liar!" and "Horse-thief!" at the correspondent who furnished the facts are each making up records for themselves, to be published in complaisant organs, with notes and explanations and general whitewash.

### BY THE FREE USE OF SOAP AND WATER

the correspondent expects to free himself from the nastiness shot off at him on the floor, and will continue his researches late the record as occasion requires.

### COMMITTEE CLERKS.

J. H. C. Irwin, of the *State Journal*, D. A. Ray, of the *Inter-Ocean*, Hans Haerting, of the *Staats Zeitung*, and M. J. Tilden, of the *State Register* and *Chicago Times* are, as appears by the official directory, committee clerks. Also Phocion Howard, Sam Parker, of the Peoria *Transcript*, is the Lieutenant-Governor's Secretary.

### CARD.

For the benefit of Mr. Callon and all concerned, I would state that I was clerk of the four committees named, which were grouped, and allowed one clerk for the four. I discharged the services required of me—whether well or ill does not become me to say. The Chairmen of the several committees, who had full power to dismiss me if I did not satisfactorily perform my duties, had my name placed on the pay-roll, and the Speaker of the House certified what pay was due me. I submit, therefore, that, long after my discharge under the resolution discontinuing committee clerks, it is late in the day to discover that I didn't perform my duties. Would that discovery have ever been made except for THE TRIBUNE'S publication of the absentee list? As for the charge of stealing stationery, if not meant for a joke, it is a lie.

H. W. THOMSON.

### A NOTE FROM THE HON. J. H. KEDZIE.

*To the Editor of The Tribune.*

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., April 24.—The connection in which you mention my name in your paper of today, although what you state is true, would lead your readers to infer that I was absent from my post on Monday. Such was not the fact. I was in my seat during the forenoon, and absent on necessary committee work in the afternoon. While on this subject, I beg to say, further, that during the first three months of the session I was in my seat every day the House was in session, except a very few, when I was absent on committee duty, and two or three days on account of sickness in my family. During the present month I have been obliged to be absent for three or four days on account of severe sickness in my family. I assume my fellow-members will give as equally good account of their attendance or non-attendance. As I pay $10 in taxes for every day in the year, I feel no conscientious scruples in drawing my $5 per day for a few months.

J. H. KEDZIE.

[Mr. Kedzie don't need to explain or defend his attendance record, as it is very much better than the average. If all the members had been as attentive and industrious as he, the business of the session would be considerably farther along.—ED.]

## IRREGULAR PROCEEDINGS.

### WHICH IS TO SAY, LEGITIMATE BUSINESS.

*Special Dispatch to The Tribune.*

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., April 26.—In the House, Mr. Washburn's resolution providing for submission to the people of a constitutional amendment reducing the number of Representatives from 153 to ninety-nine, and Senators from thirty-one to thirty-three, was, after some debate, lost,—ayes, 52; noes, 81.

### GARNISHMENT.

Mr. Crooker's bill amending the Garnishment act was passed, and goes to the Senate. It simplifies materially garnishee proceedings, and reduces the exemption for wages where the defendant is head of a family to $50. In case the wages or services of such defendant in the hands of a garnishee exceed $50, the excess only shall be given for the balance above that amount.

### MR. EASTON'S WAREHOUSE BILL

was passed by a vote of 87 yeas to 48 nays. It now goes to the Senate. The bill changes warehouse rates of storage. The bill fixes the maximum rates of storage at for the first ten days or part thereof 1¼ cents per bushel, and for each ten days or part thereof after the first fifteen days one-half of 1 cent per bushel; provided, however, that grain damp or liable to early damage, as indicated by its inspection when received, may be subject to 2 cents per bushel storage for the first ten days, and for each additional five days or part thereof not exceeding one-half of 1 per cent per bushel; provided, further, that where grain has been received in any such warehouse prior to the 1st day of March, 1877, under any express or implied contract to pay and receive rates of storage different from those prescribed by this act, where it has been received under any custom or usage prior to said day, to pay or receive rates of storage different from the rates fixed by law, it shall be lawful for any owner or owners of such grain to pay and receive and collect such agreed or customary rates.

### THE FRANK-ADAMS BILL

for the collection of back taxes was taken up and passed. The amendment extending the operation of the bill to all cities which have failed to collect taxes under Bill 300 was added to the bill as it passed the House. This will require the bill to be sent back to the Senate for concurrence in the amendment. That will be done to-morrow, and the bill will probably go through the Senate to-morrow.

### SHORTHAND.

Mr. Albright's bill authorizing Circuit Courts to appoint official short-hand reporters was lost.

### HARLIER HOURS.

Under the new rule offered by Mr. Renney, and reported back from the Committee on Rules by Mr. Granger, the House henceforth meets at 9 a. m. daily, instead of at 9:30, as heretofore.

## THE SENATE.

### NOMINATIONS.

*Special Dispatch to The Tribune.*

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., April 26.—The nominations of Joseph F. Culver, of Pontiac, Obadiah Huse, of Chicago, and Solon Kendall, of Geneseo, to be Trustees of the Reform School at Pontiac were today confirmed by the Senate. The nominations were made by Gov. Beveridge. The nominations of E. G. Root, of Perry; E. L. Wells, of Ogle, J. C. Knickerbocker, of Cook, J. D. Caton, of Cook, and H. B. Merriman, of Bureau, to members of the State Board of Education, were confirmed. The nominations of C. R. Cummings, of Tuscwell, and Joseph C. Warneck, of Mason, to be Trustees of the Institute for the Feeble-Minded, were also confirmed. The nomination of A. B. Nicholson, of Logan, was rejected.

### SILVER.

Mr. Herdman's bill making silver coin a legal-tender was passed, and now goes to the House. It provides that silver coins of all denominations of the coinage of the mints of the United States shall be a legal-tender in payment of all debts, public and private, without any limit as to amount.

### A RAILROAD BILL.

Mr. Plumb's bill to provide for punishment of the destruction of railroad property was passed. It provides that whoever shall wantonly and maliciously displaces or removes any switch, signal, or rail of any railroad, rips up, injures, or destroys any track, bridge, or other portion of any railroad, or any obstructions thereon, or gives any false signal upon or along the line of any railroad track, or does any act to or with any engine, machine, or car of such railroad with the intent to endanger the life or injure the operation of such railroad, or with the intent that any person or property being or crossing on or over such railroad should be injured thereby, shall be imprisoned in the Penitentiary not less than one nor more than five years, or if in consequence of any such act, done with such intent, any person being or passing on or over such railroad suffers any bodily harm or any property is injured, the person so offending shall be imprisoned in the Penitentiary not less than three nor more than ten years, and if, in consequence of any such act done with such intent, any person is killed, the person so offending shall be deemed guilty of murder and punished accordingly.

The bill now goes to the House.

### EXEMPTION OF PROPERTY.

Mr. McCracken's (Kelly's) bill in relation to the exemption of property from execution was passed and sent to the House. It exempts the necessary wearing apparel, Bibles, school books, and family pictures of every person, and $100 worth of other property, to be selected by the debtor, and, in addition, when the debtor is the head of a family and resides with the same, $500 worth of other property, to be selected by the debtor; provided, that such selection and exemption shall not be made by the debtor, or allowed in favor of the debtor, from any money, or wages due him or her from any person or persons or corporation whatever; provided, further, that no personal property, while in the hands of the original vendee of such debtor, shall be exempt from seizure and sale under legal process when the debt or judgment is for the purchase money of such property, but such seizure and sale shall be subject to any bona fide lien acquired by third persons upon such property while in the hands or such vendee.

### APPROPRIATIONS.

The bill appropriating $30,000 for the expenses of the next General Assembly was passed, and now goes to the Governor for approval.

### DOCTORS.

Mr. Rainey's bill regulating the practice of medicine was passed, and now goes to the House. It provides that every person practicing medicine in any of its departments shall possess these qualifications: If a graduate in medicine, he shall present his diploma to the State Board of Health, of such Board of Health shall be established by law, or Board of Examiners herein named for verification as to its genuineness. If the diploma be found genuine, such Board of Health, or such Board of Health shall be established by law, or the Board of Examiners, shall issue its certificate to that effect, and such diploma and certificate shall be conclusive as to the right of the lawful holder of the same to practice medicine in this State. If not a graduate, the person practicing medicine in this State shall present himself before said Board and submit himself to such examination as the said Board shall require, and, if the examination be satisfactory to the examiners, the said Board shall issue its certificate in accordance with the facts, and he shall then be entitled to practice.

### APPELLATE COURT.

The bill establishing the Appellate Court and the bill regulating practice therein were last passed, and go to the House.

## OHIO.

### LEGISLATIVE.

COLUMBUS, O., April 26.—In the Senate the persons nominated by the Governor to be Trustees of the State Agricultural College were confirmed down to the Tenth District.

The House bill to enable executors and administrators to obtain funds arising from the sale of real estate on partition to pay debts, was passed.

The House bill to prevent the spread of the Canada thistle was passed.

A message was received from Gov. Young appointing Albert Tuttle, of Franklin, and Alfred Buckingham, of Hamilton County, as Commissioners to investigate the cause and prevention of hog-cholera.

In the House the Senate bill authorizing narrow-gauge railway companies to issue bonds passed.

The House bill to so amend the Adair Liquor law as to do away with the necessity of filing a written notice before damages can accrue, was defeated—35 to 51.

## THE SOUTH PARKS.

### Continuation of the Investigation by the Committee at Springfield.

### Resumption of the Argument of Col. R. S. Thompson for the Commissioners.

### They Bought Land Cheap and Are Beyond Suspicion of Fraud.

### Reply of Mr. John J. Herrick Animadverting upon the Acts of the Commissioners.

### An Evening Session, with Arguments by Gen. Smith and P. H. Kales.

*Special Dispatch to The Tribune.*

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., April 26.—The hearing of the argument in the Park investigation by the Legislative Committee was resumed at 10 o'clock this morning. Col. R. S. Thompson read the following letter:

CHICAGO, April 23, 1877.—*Gen. Rich. Bowett, Chairman, and Gentlemen of the Legislative Committee for the Investigation of the Chicago Parks:* During your investigation at the Grand Pacific Hotel, in this city, a letter from George S. Coe, President of the American Exchange National Bank of New York, to George W. Smith, was read before you, which, if you shall decide to make a matter of record, I would beg to submit the following, to be also made a part of said record. In the above-mentioned letter, Mr. Coe claims to have frequently called my attention officially to the condition of my account as Treasurer of the South Park Commission, and, in one instance, claims to have importuned me to give it my personal attention. While it is true that the account was several times overdrawn, it is also true that it would have been at no time in that condition had the funds sent there by me been used for the purpose for which I placed them there, viz., the payment of coupons. The American Exchange National Bank, however, allowed Mr. Chauncey T. Bowen, as President of the South Park Commission, to draw on them for various sums, which checks they charged to my account without my knowledge or consent, or any authority of whatsoever nature from me. Mr. Coe also claims that they have recognized their account as rendered to me to be correct, which claim I deny, and which claim can only be substantiate by any communication from me. The whole difficulty has grown out of the plain fact that the moneys sent by me to the American Exchange National Bank for the special purpose of paying the coupons from South Park bonds were by that bank suffered to be drawn out on the checks of a party wholly unauthorized. I am at all times ready to account for all moneys paid out on my signature, or by my authority. The conduct of the American Exchange National Bank needs no comment. I leave it and my position in the matter to the judgment of both your Committee and business community. Respectfully submitted,

J. IRVINE PEASE.

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### ABOUT $200 A FOOT,

and would consider it a bargain at $150. George B. Clarke swore it was cheap at $150, and that property in that locality upon the boulevard was selling in the market at $200 a front foot. Mr. Layton, formerly of Clarke, Layton & Co., concurred in Mr. Clarke's estimate, but added it was quite low enough. Mr. Averill swore that it was worth $125 a foot, and there is no evidence to the contrary. In fact, this is all the evidence on that point. Of the Honore tract, the only witness who testified that the price was high was Mr. Derby, and

### WHO IS MR. DERBY?

He is the party that for some weeks past has been entertaining at his office Illey, the South Park policeman, to whom he has recently given a passing notice, to find something to be used against the Commissioners.

If his pump had been a good one he might have succeeded. In cross-examination Kelly admitted that he got from the pound. Mr. Derby testified that he would not personally have given over $30,000 for the Honore tract, but the Commission paid $60,000 for it. On cross-examination he admitted that he based his judgment on cash sales, though he did not know of a single cash sale in that locality for five years, and that he did not know in that locality the prices were different in 1872 from what they were in 1876, while all the other witnesses swore that during that period the greatest advance in real estate which ever occurred in or about Chicago property took place. In fact, he admitted his knew nothing about the market value, but simply judged from what he himself would pay. Bowen, Sidway, Cornell, and Morton all testified the price was

### WAS NOT ABO

# FINANCE AND TRADE.

**The Loan Market Again Inactive---New York Exchange Firmer.**

**The Recent Attack on Pennsylvania Railroad Stock.**

**The Hon. Elisur Wright on the Rights of Policy-Holders in Surrender Values.**

**The Produce Markets Active and Again Excited, but Generally Weak.**

**A Downward Turn in Hogs, Provisions, Wheat, Corn, and Oats.**

**Rye and Barley Stronger---Flour in Good Demand.**

## FINANCIAL.

The lull in the speculative excitement on the Board of Trade has diminished the demand from that quarter for loans with which to meet margin calls, and the other Board of Trade applications are light. The general monetary situation was decidedly quieter than on the preceding day. The supply of mercantile paper is not large, and the miscellaneous demand for bank favors is likewise restricted. The loanable surplus is accumulating in excess of the use for it.

Rates of discount are 8@10 per cent at the banks to regular customers. On the street, rates are nominally the same, with business light.

New York exchange was sold between banks at 75c per $1,000 premium.

The clearings were $3,700,000.

THE VALUE OF THE BONANZA MINES.

The San Francisco *Chronicle*, which is unremitting in its attacks on the stocks of the California and Consolidated Virginia mines, quotes from the estimate prepared for Commissioner Raymond by Hon. Eugene C. Lockhardt, to show that the latter valued the bonanza at $90,000,000 less than Dr. Linderman. The *Chronicle* thinks Lockhardt's estimate is too high, and calculates that there may be at the outside $17,000,000 of dividends in September. "With these figures before him, let any one reflect upon the record of all the other bonanzas, from Ophir to Belcher, and, after considering the profit obtained by those who invested in these mines after they had paid dividends a few years, while the stock was, of course, still inflated, he will perhaps understand why the Nevada Bank has money to loan at 8 per cent per annum, and mining stocks for sale that pay more than 5 per cent per month interest."

THE PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD STOCK.

*Philadelphia Ledger.*

During March 6,712 shares more were purchased *for investment* than sold by investors, and in April, up to the 21st, the gross was 14,481, making a total of 28,193 shares absorbed by investors more than were sold out by them. Friday and Saturday last were the two most exciting days in Pennsylvania Railroad stock. On Friday the number of shares reported sold was 31,000, while the books of the Company show as the result of that day that but 3,766 shares went to certificate, of which 3,387 were taken by investors and but 379 by brokers and as collateral, the remaining 27,234 being what are termed gambling transactions. On Saturday as reported sales at the Board were 40,504 shares. The books of the Company show that but 3,802 shares went into certificate, of which 3,377 were in names of investors and 525 in names of brokers and as collateral, the remainder, 36,702, being gambling transactions. With these facts and figures, plainly and truly given, no holder of the stock who is a reader of the *Ledger* need be deceived by short interest, and the reported number of sales made, and thereby be inveigled into the belief that his investment is less valuable than it was this time last year, or than the annual report of the Company represents it to be.

BANK SUPERVISION IN NEW YORK.

*New York Evening Post.*

There seem to be an abundance of witnesses ready to testify that the Banking Department, under Superintendent Ellis, does not supervise, and if their charges are sustained he should soon be rebranded as the "defender of safe banking." In one sense they have been sustained already, for during his term of office many bank failures have occurred, attended with grievous losses to depositors, who had received no warning from the officer whose duty it was supposed to be to guard their interests. Either the man or the system is certainly to blame.

NEW YORK STATE BANKS OF NEW YORK.

A comparison of the last quarterly report made by the State banks in the City of New York to the Banking Department, with the totals of last quarter, shows that their assets have decreased $560,-200, the heavy reduction of $803,693 being made upon the specie account alone. At the same time the deposits have increased nearly $4,000,000.

GOLD AND GREENBACKS.

Gold was 106¼@107 in greenbacks.

Greenbacks were 94¼@93¾ cents on the dollar in gold.

FOREIGN EXCHANGE.

| | Sixty days. | Sight. |
|---|---|---|
| Sterling | 486 | 490 |
| France | 514¾ | 511¾ |
| Belgium | 514¾ | 511¾ |
| Switzerland | 514¾ | 511¾ |
| Germany | 93¾ | 96 |
| Holland, Sweden, and Denmark | 37 | 37¾ |
| America | | 47 |

GOVERNMENT BONDS.

| | Bid. | Asked. |
|---|---|---|
| United States 6s of '81 | 113½ | 114 |
| United States 5-20s of '65 | 110¾ | 110¾ |
| U. S. 5-20s of '65, January and July | 110¾ | 110¾ |
| U. S. 5-20s of '67—January and July | 112¾ | 112¾ |
| U. S. 5-20s of '68—January and July | 114¾ | 114¾ |
| U. S. 10-40s—January and July | 110¾ | 110¾ |
| Currency 6s of '95 | 121¾ | 121¾ |
| United States 5s of '81 | 111¾ | 111¾ |
| United States currency 6s | 124 | ---- |

UNLISTED BACKED QUOTATIONS.

| | Bid. | Asked. |
|---|---|---|
| Chicago City 7 p ct. bonds | *107 | *108 |
| Chicago City 7 p ct. sewerage | *107 | *108 |
| Chicago City 7 p ct. water loan | *107 | *108 |
| Chicago City 7 p ct. funding bonds | *108 | *109 |
| North Chicago 7 p ct. bonds (L. Park) | *95 | ---- |
| West Chicago 7 p ct. bonds | *97 | ---- |
| South Chicago 7 p ct. bonds | *90 | ---- |
| City Railway, West Side | 17¾ | ---- |
| City Railway, North Side, ex div | 127 | ---- |
| Traders' Insurance Company, ex div | 120 | ---- |
| Chamber of Commerce, ex div | 69 | 71 |
| Exposition bonds | 30 | 35 |
| Chicago Gas Light and Coke Co. stock | 140 | ---- |

*And interest.

## BY TELEGRAPH.

NEW YORK.

*To the Western Associated Press.*

NEW YORK, April 26.—Gold opened at 106¾, declined to 106⅝, and closed at 106¾. Carrying rates 1 to 2¼. Borrowing rates flat and 1-64 per cent.

Silver at London, 54¾ pence. Here, silver bars 100 in greenbacks and 117¾ in gold. Silver coin ½ discount.

Governments were active and firm.

Railroad bonds were firm, or moderate business.

Northwestern consolidated gold coupons advanced to 85¾.

State bonds were steady.

The stock market was strong at the opening, and prices advanced ¼ to ⅝, but the improvement was subsequently lost, and the firmness which characterized speculation at the opening was replaced by depression during the afternoon, when, under a fresh attack by the bears, the entire list gave way ½ to 6¾. The greatest decline was in Morris & Essex, which dropped from 76 to 69¾. Other leading fee tures were Delaware, Lackawanna & Western, Delaware & Hudson, Rock Island, Western Union, New York Central, and Michigan Central. Late in the day there was a recovery in Morris & Essex and Delaware & Hudson, but the general list at the close was at or near the lowest figures reached, and the tone of the market was feverish and apprehensive. Northwestern common and Pacific Mail were firm throughout the day.

The feature of city bank stocks to-day was a sale of 340 shares of New York Central and Hudson at 100. The asking price has steadily declined of late from 113 to 100.

The Post says of the break in stocks: "Part was due to natural reaction; but the larger part to an unpleasant discovery that the clique that has contributed so much to unsettling confidence, and has depressed stocks in the past few months in hundred dozen prices, is again at work to the same end."

Mr. R. L. Burrill, General Eastern Agent of the Toledo, Peoria & Warsaw Railway, has been appointed General Eastern Agent for the Wabash Railway for all the territory east of Buffalo, Pittsburg, and Wheeling, to take effect May 1.

The business done was 971,600 shares, of which 5,000 were Rock Island, 41,000 Western Union, 6,000 Northwestern, 58,000 Rock Island, 18,000 St. Paul, 47,000 Lake Shore, 10,000 New York Central, 9,000 Michigan Central, 65,000 Lackawanna, 5,000 Delaware & Hudson, and 6,000 Morris & Essex.

Money easy; 3@5. Prime mercantile paper, 3½@6%.

Custom receipts, $383,000.

The Assistant Treasurer debursed $77,000.

Clearings, $38,000,000.

Sterling firm: long, 487¾; short, 489¼.

| GOVERNMENT BONDS. | |
|---|---|
| Coupons, '81 | 113¾ |
| Coupons, '65 | 113¾ |
| New coupons, '67 | 114¾ |
| New coupons, '68 | 115 |
| Currency, '67 | 124½ |
| Coupons, '68 | 115 |
| Coupons, '65 | 111¾ |
| Coupons, '67 | 113¾ |
| Coupons, '65, 10-40s | 112 |
| Coupons, '65, 5-20s | 110¾ |
| Coupons, '67, 5-20s | 112¾ |
| Coupons, '68, 5-20s | 114¾ |
| Coupons, 6s | 111¾ |
| Currency, 6s | 124 |

STATE BONDS.

| | |
|---|---|
| Tennessees, old | 43¾ |
| Tennessees, new | 33 |
| Virginia, old | 32 |
| Virginia, new | 32 |
| Missouri 6s | 105¾ |

SAN FRANCISCO.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 26.—The following are the closing prices at the Stock Board:

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Alpha | 12 | Justice | 8¾ |
| Belcher | 8¾ | Kentuck | 4 |
| Best & Belcher | 7 | Mexican | 2 |
| Bullion | 8¾ | Mexican | 8¾ |
| Con. Virginia | 8¾ | Northern Belle | 14¾ |
| California | 10 | Ophir | 12¾ |
| Chollar | 8¾ | Ophir | 12¾ |
| Confidence | 7 | Raymond & Ely | 3¾ |
| Crown Point | 5¾ | Silver Hill | 3¾ |
| Crown Point | 5¾ | Savage | 3¾ |
| Exchequer | 21 | Segregated Belcher | 21 |
| Gould & Curry | 7¾ | Sierra Nevada | 9¾ |
| Hale & Norcross | 8¾ | Union Consolidated | 8¾ |
| Imperial | 1 | Yellow Jacket | 8¾ |
| Julia Consolidated | 1 | Eureka Consolidated | 20 |

NEW ORLEANS.

NEW ORLEANS, April 26.—Gold, 106¼@106¾. Sight exchange on New York, ¾ premium. Sterling exchange, bankers' bulls, 522.

FOREIGN.

LONDON, April 26.—Consols, money and account, 93.

United States bonds, '65s, 102¾; '67s, 107¼; 10-40s, 108; new 5s, 105¾.

New York Central, 93; Erie, 6¼; preferred, 16; Illinois Central, 90.

PARIS, April 26.—Rentes, 103f 12½c.

The specie in the Bank of France increased 5,000,000 francs during the past week.

## LIFE-INSURANCE.

RIGHTS OF POLICY-HOLDERS IN SURRENDER VALUES.

*To the Editor of The Tribune.*

BOSTON, April 23.—The excuse for the trap, or increasing surrender charge, described in my last, is two-fold. First, its age. It has been practiced for a century or more. Second, without it there would be nothing to hold the company together. The healthy members might retire and leave the sickly to break the company by dying too fast.

Age does not sanctify abuses; so I shall say nothing of the first excuse. The second is good to a limited extent: If an individual has been induced to insure him for life or a number of years for a certain annual premium, he cannot expect to be released from his obligation under the contract to go on making the payments, well or sick, unless the company consents to it. The company would probably consent to it, willingly, should he be taken dangerously sick. It would be sure not to do so if his health was as good as when he entered. It could not at the start agree to do so without an adequate consideration. The ability of the company to perform its promises depends on its having a considerable number of members and maintaining their average vitality. It must therefore chare every member retiring in good health enough to pay for the increased risk it runs on those that remain, or to get a new member as good. How the amount of this charge can be ascertained, with reasonable certainty, I shall endeavor to explain by and by. One thing may be said with certainty, before I go further. As health is the condition of being a policy-holder, it can be supposed to be growing healthier as it grows older. Consequently, the charge for release cannot justly be larger at the end of any year than at the end of the first. Other things being equal, the lapse of a new policy of the ordinary kind will be more damaging to the com pany than the lapse of an older one. For more than a century the companies have violated this almost self-evident equity.

The absolute necessity of a certain forfeiture or surrender charge, to secure the persistence of the payments, justifies neither an excessive charge nor the inequity of making it too small on some policies and too large on others. The practice of the companies transcends the reasons for it, and rides rough-shod over the old Latin law maxim, *sacchia ne rebus*—everything has its limits; and the pithy French proverb—*Rien de trop*—nothing too much.

And it is not only in this trap, into which the policy-holder goes deeper and deeper every year, that these time-honored expressions of common sense are trampled on. The ordinary policy covers the *whole term of life*. It is only the active portion of life that is really insurable. A human being is no more likely to need insurance, or to have anybody suffer pecuniary loss by the discontinuance of his life, in his second childhood than in his first. Perhaps not so much so. Insuring for the *whole life* is too much. And especially so, if the surrender charge is to increase with the years of the policy.

No company, I believe, issues a policy to a person over 75. For a still better reason it ought never to issue one to extend that age. One biennial premium on a policy payable to the party himself at the age of 75, or to his heirs on previous death, if taken before middle life, but little exceeds that of an endowment whole-life policy. On such a policy any equitable charge for surrender will decrease from the start.

Another thing I am now prepared to say positively, which I have long thought, but seemed particularly loath to admit. The *maximum* surrender charge, and the *minimum* cash surrender value, to be paid on the retirement of the policy-holder at the end of any policy-year, can be as safely stipulated in the policy as the sum insured in case of death. It is undeniable, and will not be denied, that the endowment insurance policies, which are at present issued, are the best for business, are as safe to the companies as any others, if not safer. And yet in these policies a cash surrender value is absolutely stipulated for the last year of the policy. It will require only a little mathematician or business-man, to give any reason why, if the company can safely do this, it cannot absolutely stipulate a cash surrender value to be paid, if the insured elects to receive it, at the end of any previous year of the term.

The companies claim, with some reason, that if they were now to pay cash surrender values on the principle of returning the whole, or unearned premium, less a charge never greater than the net value of the policy at the end of the first year, there would be a tendency to cash out and withdraw the value of their investments. That is probably true to some extent. For thousands of old policy-holders may have had no motive to keep up their insurance for several years past, but have been prevented from surrendering by the exorbitant charges. If the charges should be cut down to equity, so many might apply for cash surrender values at once as to embarrass companies whose investments are not of the most convertible sort. But whatever strength this argument has as to existing policies, it has none whatever as to future ones. And it has not much, anyway, when we consider that it is the disgust of old policy-holders, who have surrendered or sold to others at less than more than anything else, makes it so difficult now to get new ones to enter; also, that no one is likely to apply for a surrender value before the anniversary of his policy, when a new premium becomes due, so that the run on the company would be spread pretty equally over a whole year. And besides that, many would not be so ready to apply to get out, if they knew that the surrender charge was growing less every year, instead of knowing, as they do now, that it is rapidly growing greater every year.

The only argument brought against stipulating in every future policy the exact cash surrender value which will be paid at the close of any policy-year in which a member may elect to withdraw, is that the company cannot afford to allow, or rather to sell, to the policy-holder in advance the right of selection against it. The utter falsity and nonsense of this argument cannot be shown to the best advantage without figures, for which there will not be room in the present letter. They may occupy a moderate space in a future one. It will suffice to say now, however, that each one of goose will commonly do for gander, and that one individual in selecting himself out of a company will have no great advantage over it, with the best medical advice, in selecting from offered risks those it will admit. Practically it has been a moot point with life underwriters hitherto, in view of a vast deal of outgoing, whether the outgoers average any higher vitality than the instayers. Of course we can have the exact statistics only of the latter, but they are by no means alarming. The lapses from the longest-company have been almost as numerous as the remaining members, and have forfeited or been charged on surrender sums which aggregate latterly nearly a million dollars a year. The whole of this aggregate, if I read the financial statements correctly, goes into the dividend paid to remaining members the next year. The only excuse for exacting it from the outgoing members is thus confessed to be groundless, for just so far as it has any force the surrender charges should be either expended in getting new recruits or added to the reserve to diminish the increased risk on the remaining members.

If the reader recurs to my first letter he will please read $6,900 instead of $7,700, in the fourth paragraph.

ELISUR WRIGHT.

## REAL ESTATE.

The following instruments were filed for record Thursday, April 26:

CITY PROPERTY.

| | |
|---|---|
| Dunkiel st, 240 ft s of Thirty-seventh st, w f, 24x125 ft, dated Sept. 20, 1876 | $ 535 |
| Blue Island av, 151 ft s e of Lincoln st, s f, 24x100 ft, dated April 24 | 1,600 |
| Lot on at 208½ ft w of California av and 141 ft s of Jackson st, w f, 25x126½ft, dated April 23 | 1,300 |
| Rinman st, 150 ft s of Lincolnst, w f, 25x126 9-10 ft, with building, dated April 23 | 1,800 |
| Barry Point road, w s or of Albany, and w of 6th st, also, West Madison st, bet Crawford av and Central Park, s f, and ½ of 265 ft running n to Washington st, dated April 21 | 13,000 |
| (Willis G. Jackson to Jerome S. Jackson)— Lot on at 208½ ft w of California av and 141 ft s of Jackson st, w f, 25x126½ft, dated April 24 | 1,300 |
| Madison st, 200 ft e of Eighteenth st, s f, 251 172 ft, dated April 20 | 13,000 |
| Centre st, 2-4 cor of Twenty-first st, w f, 115x 150 ft, dated April 24 | 16,000 |
| State st, 282 ft n of Thirty-second st, w f, 22x 118 ft, dated April 24 | 4,080 |
| Shields av, 75 ft s of West Polk st, w f, 25x100 ft, dated March 25, 1874 | 1,400 |
| Chicago av, n e cor of North Market st, 41 x 100 ft (with other property) [Lake View], dated Sept. 15, 1876 (Soren P. Lawrence to Wm. H. Stone) | 25,000 |
| Chicago av, n s cor of North Market st, s f, 50 x100 ft, dated Sept. 19, 1876 | 15,000 |

NORTH OF CITY LIMITS WITHIN A RADIUS OF SEVEN MILES OF THE COURT-HOUSE.

| | |
|---|---|
| Perry st, s w cor of Sunnyside av, s f, 97x180 ft, dated July 25, 1877 | $ 2,500 |
| SOUTH OF CITY LIMITS, WITHIN A RADIUS OF SEVEN MILES OF THE COURT-HOUSE. | |
| Madison av, 93 ft s of Fifty-fourth st, w f, 96x 106 7-10 ft, dated April 18 | $ 1,500 |
| Washington st, 98 ft s of Jackson st, s f, 32 ft to alley, dated May 13, 1876 | 500 |
| Daly st, 63 ft n of Wright st, w f, 46x126 8-10 ft, dated April 19 | 400 |

## COMMERCIAL.

The following were the receipts and shipments of the leading articles of produce in this city during the twenty-four hours ending at 7 o'clock on Thursday morning, and for the corresponding time last year:

| | Receipts. | | Shipments. | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | 1877. | 1876. | 1877. | 1876. |
| Flour, brls | 10,398 | 8,972 | 11,014 | 10,051 |
| Wheat, bu | 7,850 | 33,503 | 37,930 | 174,374 |
| Corn, bu | 118,738 | 85,770 | 191,857 | 127,781 |
| Oats, bu | 90,847 | 74,753 | 82,668 | 50,975 |
| Rye, bu | 3,920 | 1,310 | 44,430 | 11,720 |
| Barley, bu | 1,200 | 4,020 | 4,020 | 1,324 |
| Provisions, lbs | 1,265,000 | 1,265,000 | 1,226,594 | 1277,804 |
| Flaxseed, lbs | 52,340 | 167,000 | 20,000 | 60,542 |
| B. corn, lbs | 40,000 | 14,000 | 80,000 | 68,166 |
| B. meats, lbs | 321,930 | 134,000 | 633,000 | 741,017 |
| Beef, tcs | | | 40 | 15 |
| Beef, brls | | | | |
| Pork, brls | 211 | 144 | 351 | 1,921 |
| Lard, lbs | 20,500 | 4,000 | 197,272 | 317,433 |
| Tallow, lbs | 27,464 | 20,000 | 1,160 | 40,324 |
| Butter, lbs | 86,287 | 44,692 | 132,785 | 31,200 |
| D. hogs, No | 20 | 46 | | |
| Live hogs, No | 17,097 | 13,000 | 2,440 | 4,666 |
| Cattle, No | 5,677 | 4,380 | 3,958 | 4,922 |
| Sheep, No | 1,329 | 400 | 956 | 854 |
| Hides, lbs | 138,500 | 162,700 | 255,400 | 74,160 |
| High wines, brls | 50 | 109 | 283 | 62 |
| Wool, lbs | 122,700 | 108,827 | 47,350 | 20,000 |
| Potatoes, bu | 8,003 | 1,138 | 1,651 | |
| Coal, tons | 2,852 | 1,680 | 374 | 481 |
| Hay, tons | 72 | 110 | 30 | |
| Lumber, m | 1,771 | 1,527 | 2,028 | 1,530 |
| Shingles, m | 315 | 1,265 | 253 | 805 |
| Salt, brls | 644 | 172 | 2,336 | 2,397 |
| Poultry, lbs | 1,350 | 5,185 | | |
| Poultry, coops | | 22 | | |
| Game, pkgs | | 12 | | |
| Eggs, pkgs | 985 | 1,589 | 516 | 712 |
| Cheese, lbs | 1,376 | 1,635 | 610 | 940 |
| Apples, brls | 445 | 24 | 279 | |
| Beans, bu | 124 | | 95 | 81 |

Withdrawn from store during Wednesday for city consumption: 2,753 bu wheat, 213 bu corn, 1,593 bu oats, 1,059 bu rye, 2,717 bu barley.

The following grain was inspected into store in this city on Thursday morning: 1 car No. 2 spring, 1 car No. 3 do, 3 cars rejected do, 7 cars no grade (12 wheat); 81 cars high-mixed corn, 10 cars new do, 46 cars new-mixed, 115 cars No. 2 corn, 34 cars rejected do, 9 cars no grade (303 corn); 4 cars white oats, 10 cars No. 2 do, 23 cars rejected do (36 oats); 6 cars No. 2 rye, 1 car rejected do; 2 cars No. 2 barley, 6 cars No. 3 do, 1 car rejected do. Total, 365 cars, or 152,000 bu. Inspected out: 68,920 bu wheat, 27,023 bu corn, 82,463 bu oats, 403 bu rye, and 2,000 bu barley.

There was again a great deal of excitement in produce circles yesterday, and the markets were very irregular in consequence. The attendance on 'Change was large, including many visitors from the country, and the balcony was filled so full that some "boots" were hung over the railing. But the day was very different in its experiences from Wednesday. The markets bobbed up and down, but weakness was the most prevalent tone in most departments, after the markets had got well opened. There was less disposition to buy, and more to realize, in most departments, as a good many operators thought they saw reason to think that the climax had been reached. The men who took hold at the beginning of the war excitement were mostly out, having realized before the markets came to a halt. Those who took hold later generally held on longer, and were less willing to settle at the top, believing in a still further advance. Of course, the prospect of that is dependent upon the turn in the war situation to a large extent; but many of the more careful thought it probable that still higher prices are only possible in the event of a war that will include the whole of Europe.

In provisions, for instance, it was remembered that our principal customers have been England for meats, and Germany for lard. Neither Russia nor Turkey are likely to want the product of a single hog from the United States, unless it be as grease for their cartridges, and the Mohammedan will not touch hogs' fat even in that way. If Germany or England, or both, should become entangled in the broil, there would then be room for an excitement in provisions; otherwise not, except as they sympathize with breadstuffs. Cheap hog meat, with dear flour, would cause a largely-increased consumption of the former, both here and abroad, so that there exists an indirect reason for excitement in hog product.

In regard to wheat, opinions still differed widely. There were men who bought yesterday for investment, believing that there is room for a further rise, wheat being really scarce. Western Europe has received about all from the Black Sea that there was to spare; can receive little more from the United States; will probably be able to obtain none from Australia, instead of the 20@30,000 tons that were looked for available in June had not the Australian crop been a partial failure; and can receive from Chili but a small proportion of the usual supply, only 60,000 qrs being now on passage from that country; while the crop of California is confessedly short. These facts warrant high prices for wheat; but it does not seem probable that there can be a steady demand for our wheat at prices which are higher than the topmost gold price of wheat during our own War for the suppression of the Rebellion. Reports indicate that there is a good deal of flour behind us if there is not much wheat left, and the high prices now attainable will probably cause that flour to move forward more freely than heretofore.

However, the high price of wheat here does not totally prevent its purchase for shipment. Several lots have been so taken during the past two or three days, and some of the purchasers have made the tour of the elevators, examining the wheat they contain. These men report that our wheat is of good quality, and ought certainly to command within 3c per bu of the price of Milwaukee wheat, instead of selling at 15c discount.

In dry-goods circles there was a well sustained activity and the tone of the market was firm and healthy. The demand for groceries continues to improve, and jobbers now report a very satisfactory movement in both staple and side goods. The changes in values were confined to an advance of 1c in common molasses and blackstrap, though coffees were quoted strong, with a tendency to higher figures. The sugar market again showed a want of steadiness, and for brown and soft white grades there was some cutting of prices. Hard sugars were firm, as previously quoted. Rice was steady. The dried-fruit market was fairly active for the staple articles and was firm all around. Prunes were advanced another ¼c, and were strong at the improvement. An advance in apples of ¼c was also noted. The fish market was easy for saltwater descriptions and firm for lake, with a fair business in progress. Butter and cheese continue dull and drooping. Jobbers of oils, paints, and colors reported a fair trade at unchanged prices. Bagging, leather, tobacco, coal, and wood were unchanged.

Lumber was quiet at the docks, and moderately active at the yards. Green lumber sold from yard docks at lower prices, but dry was steady and held firmly by some of the dealers. Hardware and nails were unchanged. Both wool and broom-corn were in moderate demand and steady. Seeds were rather quiet but firm, as the offerings were small. Hides were in active request and strong at the recent advance. The sales of green fruits were as large as usual, and most varieties were steady, though apples were offered at lower prices. Potatoes were dull and easier, under larger receipts. Poultry and eggs were in moderate request and lower, owing to the larger offerings.

Lake freights were more active, and a shade firmer at former quotations; at 3c for corn and 2¼c for oats, by sail, to Buffalo, and 7¼c for corn to Kingston. Room was engaged for 20,000 bu wheat, 70,000 bu corn, 30,000 bu oats, and 55,000 bu barley.

Rail freights were quoted firm at the following figures: To New York, 30c per 100 lbs on grain and 45c on meats. To Boston, Portland, and Providence, 35c on grain and 50c on provisions. To interior New England points, 35c on grain. Provisions to Baltimore, 42c, and to Philadelphia 43c. Foreign freights were advanced 1c to 7½c in specie per 100 lbs to Liverpool, and 8½c in specie to German ports, on provisions.

MEATS TO EUROPE.

The New York *Tribune* gives the following statement of dressed meat sent from New York each month, together with the prices obtained, from October, 1875, when the first shipment was made, up to April 1, 1877, a period of eighteen months:

| 1875. | Pounds. | Amount. |
|---|---|---|
| October | 24,160 | $ 2,043 |
| November | 31,564 | 2,324 |
| December | 120,080 | 10,840 |
| 1876. | | |
| January | 125,847 | 11,220 |
| February | 207,184 | 20,400 |
| March | 261,443 | 26,260 |
| April | 195,233 | 23,320 |
| May | 1,050,263 | 92,437 |
| June | 1,000,383 | 91,218 |
| July | 1,130,000 | 94,210 |
| August | 1,204,227 | 104,243 |
| September | 1,047,217 | 103,490 |
| October | 1,158,309 | 108,580 |
| November | 1,267,450 | 114,150 |
| December | 3,624,300 | 327,460 |
| 1877. | | |
| January | 2,300,119 | 208,763 |
| February | 2,260,840 | 225,360 |
| March | 3,797,817 | 357,240 |
| Total | 20,604,670 | $2,325,727 |

During the present month the exportation of meat from New York has been increasing, since the 1st of this month nearly 1,000 head of cattle, or about 750,000 lbs of beef, have been shipped abroad each week. Dressed meat exported of that of the finest Western corn-fed cattle, which is said to be preferable to that of the fine cattle.

The entire quantity of dressed meat sent from the United States to Europe from the inception of the enterprise, together with the sums received, is as follows:

| | Pounds. | Amount. |
|---|---|---|
| New York | 20,604,670 | $2,325,727 |
| Philadelphia | 4,677,960 | 453,744 |
| Boston | 2,367,040 | 283,625 |
| Total | 27,649,670 | $3,063,096 |
| Total | 26,682,270 | $2,347,896 |

GOODS RECEIVED

at Chicago Customs April 26, 1877: L. C. Huck, 500 bu barley; Lill & Bullen, 500 bu barley; F. W. Hayne & Co., 100 casks of ale; Henry Sears & Co., 3 cases of hardware; H. V. Bemis, 1 case of cigars; W. H. Schimpfermann, 2 cases of cigars; Field, Leiter & Co., 3 cases of dry goods. Amount collected, $4,621.92.

## PROVISIONS.

HOG PRODUCTS—Were active, and very irregular, in sympathy with grain. The market opened stronger, as Liverpool was quoted 6d per cwt higher on lard, and firm on other products; but there were too many sellers for strength, especially as the run of hogs was again large, and prices at the Stock-Yards were closed lower. The market closed very weak and unsettled, with a decided break from the highest figures of the day. The shorts took hold so freely on the first decline as to bring about a reaction, but it was only temporary. The continued large receipts of hogs were claimed by some to be fatal to anything like strength in product without a larger demand for product than now appears probable, and foreign buyers are refusing to pay the advanced prices due to the war excitement.

MESS PORK—Was active, and advanced 12½c per bri, then declined 67½c, and closed about 50c lower than the latest figures of the preceding day. Sales were reported of 1,750 brls seller May at $16.00@16.55; and 24,750 brls seller June at $16.12½@16.80. Total, 26,500 brls. The market closed tame at $16.00@16.05¼ for round lots of cash or seller April; $16.05@16.05¼ seller May; $16.17½@16.20 seller June; and $16.37½@16.40 seller July. Seller the year was quoted at $14.00@14.25.

Prime mess pork was nominal at $14.50@14.75, and extra prime at $11.00@11.25.

LARD—Was rather active, and irregular; advancing 10c per 100 lbs, declining 30c, and closing 15@17½c below the latest prices of Wednesday. Sales were reported of 100 tcs cash at $10.12½@10.20; 5,750 tcs seller May at $10.05@10.30; and 16,000 tcs seller June at $10.15@10.45. Total, 21,850 tcs. The market closed tame at $10.07½ for round lots cash or seller April; $10.07½ seller May; and $10.17½@10.20 seller June.

MEATS—Were quiet and firm at 5½@6c per lb, with buyers holding off for a further drop. There were several orders on the market, but they were generally withdrawn before they came to actual sales. Sales were reported of 200,000 lbs short ribs at 6¾ per 100 lbs cash or seller June; and 75,000 lbs short clear at 6¾c per lb cash or seller June. The market closed at the following range of prices:

| | Sloul-ders. | Short ribs | Long clears. | Short clears. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Green | 5¾ | 7¾ | 7¾ | 8¼ |
| Green, part salted | 5¾ | 7¾ | 7¾ | 8¼ |
| Boxed | 5¾ | 6¾ | 6¾ | 7¼ |
| May, loose | 5¾ | 6¾ | 6¾ | 7¼ |
| May, boxed | 5¾ | 6¾ | 6¾ | 7¼ |
| July, loose | 5¾ | 6¾ | 6¾ | 7¼ |

Long and short clears quoted at 8¼@ cash or April, and 8¾@ seller June. Cumberlands quiet at 7¾@ 7¾c; long cut hams, 9½@9¾c, all boxed; sweet-pickled hams, 9½@9¾c. Green hams, 8¾@9c.

Bacon closed at 5½@5¾c for shoulders, 9½@9¾c for short ribs, 9¾@10c for short clears, 10½@11c for hams, all canvased and packed.

GREASE—Was quiet at 5½@6c.

BEEF PRODUCTS—Were steady and quiet at $10.75 @11.00 for mess; $11.75@12.00 for extra mess; and $13.00@13.50 for hams.

TALLOW—Was quoted at 6½@6¾c for city, and 7½@ 8c for country lots, in tierces.

## BREADSTUFFS.

FLOUR—Was in good demand at full previous prices, being very busy for export as well as for local dealers, while the stocks are so light that comparatively little was on sale for immediate delivery. There was, however, a little more offered to arrive, the recent advance having made some country millers more willing to sell their reserves. Sales were reported of 3,000 brls spring extras, chiefly at $6.13@6.25. The market closed entirely nominal. The following are approximately buyers' prices: Choice winters, $8.75@9.25; medium do, $8.00@8.50; common do, $7.50@8.25; choice Minnesota spring, $8.00@9.25; medium do, $7.50@8.25; choice patents, $9.75@11.75; medium do, $8.75@9.50; common do, $8.25@8.50; choice family flours (spring), $8.00@8.25; medium do, $7.50@8.00; shipping extras, $7.25@7.75; choice spring superfines, $6.75@6.25; medium do, $5.00@5.50. Rye flour, $5.50@5.75.

BRAN—Was moderately active, and sold 25c lower. Sales were reported of 200 tons spring on car, on track, and $18.00@18.25 free on board cars.

CORN-MEAL—Coarse was nominal at $20.00 per ton on track.

WHEAT—Was an active and generally weak, being unsettled at a lower range of prices, the average being 1c⅛c below that of the previous day. Taking the latest prices of Wednesday as the starting point, the market advanced 2c and declined to 7c below at the close. The European markets were again stronger, California wheat on passage being quoted up 1s@1s 6d per quarter. New York was excitedly higher, and Milwaukee was reported at $1.01@1.05 cash, while our receipts were small, as usual. There was some demand to fill outside orders, here and there, but it was limited on most days; and a good inquiry from shorts who were anxious to settle. But offerings from parties who had bought in near the top were larger than wanted, and prices here receded in consequence. Wheat for delivery next month was heavy; 2 good deal was on sale, and few cared to take hold of it, so that the market ranged 2½@4c below June, while this month was quoted at 1@2c under May for the same reason. The market was generally a very small one, scarcely more than a score of operators being in attendance near the middle of the session. The great majority of those who have previously closed out their contracts, and to have determined to hold aloof till the market becomes more settled. Sales were reported of 5,000 bu cash, 5,000 bu seller May at $1.07@1.07½, declined to $1.07¾, advanced $1.07¾, and closed at $1.07 bid. Cash sold at $1.07 @1.08.

Seller May was quoted at $1.04@1.07½, closing at the inside, and seller the month or regular No. 2, the same as $1.03@1.07¾, closing at $1.03. Cash receipts were reported of 102,400 bu No. 2 spring at $1.03@1.07¾, all above $1.07¾ being in the Northwestern Elevator; 1,400 bu No. 3 do at $1.02@1.06; 400 bu rejected do at $1.03; and 1,200 bu by sample at $1.03@1.09. Total, 105,400 bu.

MINNESOTA WHEAT—Was more active at the same prices as the previous day. Sales were 30,000 bu No. 1 at $1.00@1.05, and 700 bu by sample at $1.08@1.02 on track. Total, 44,400 bu.

CORN—Was active and unsettled as a higher range of prices, selling 2½c above the highest figures of Wednesday, though the market afterwards declined 6½c, and closed 2½c below the latest prices of the preceding day. The English markets were quoted at a decline of 1s 3d@1s 6d per quarter, and New York was stronger, while our receipts were only 30 car-loads, the canal grain having apparently ceased to come here because the owners are not satisfied with our inspection. There were a good many buying orders here on the outset, many operators having transferred their attention from wheat to corn, but there were also numerous orders to sell, the break in wheat having caused sellers in corn, and there was not much demand for shipment, the orders here being generally under the figures below the market. Shippers said they could not operate because Chicago was too high as compared with Liverpool, and the trading was in speculative investments, many of those who bought during the recent excitement being anxious to sell, and preferred to get entirely out of the deal, releasing margins that were there otherwise have been locked up on both sides. Seller June opened at 43@43¼c, and closed at 41@ 41¾c. No. 2 cash sold at 40¾@41¾c and closed at about 42¾c. Seller July sold at 43¾c. Cash sales were reported of 44,200 bu No. 2 at 40¾@41¾c; 4,300 bu rejected at 38c; 4,200 bu by sample at 39@43c on track; and 4,400 bu at 37½c free on board. Total, 57,100 bu.

RYE—Was active and advanced 2@3½c, owing apparently to an advance in New York, which brought out buying orders and sent operators into the market to effect settlements. The offerings were moderate, No. 2 in car lots sold at 90@91c, and in round lots at 95@95¼c. June sold at 98c, and May at 95@95¼c, closing quiet at the inside. Cash sales were reported of 10,800 bu No. 2 at 90@95¼c; 800 bu by sample at 90@92c on track. Total, 11,600 bu.

BARLEY—Was quiet and higher. There was more doing in cash, and No. 2 sold at 80@83c, the inside being paid for a round lot in Rock Island. April was quiet at 83@83c, and May at 80@83c. No. 3 was steady at 36c in N. B., and 41@42c in A., D. & Co.'s; and rejected quiet and nominal. Sample was reported for 55,000 bu, most of low grade barley. Cash sales were reported of 7,800 bu No. 2 at 80@83c; 9,400 bu No. 3 N. B., at 36c; 400 bu do in A., D. & Co. at 41½; and 6,800 bu by sample at 80c. Total, 18,000 bu.

FIRST CALL.

Mess Pork—Sales 8,250 brls at $16.00@16.02½ for May, and $16.15@16.20 for June.

Lard—2,000 tcs at $10.17½ for June, and $10.05 for May.

LATEST.

Mess pork was active and higher. Sales 9,500 brls at $16.05 for May, $16.10@16.25 for June.

Lard was steady, with sales of 5,500 tcs at $10.05 cash, $10.05@10.07½ May, and $10.15@10.20 June.

Wheat was fairly active and 2½@3c higher. May sold at $1.04@1.07¾, closing at $1.07¾. Cash sold at $1.07¾@1.71, and closed at $1.70. Cash sold at $1.07 @1.08.

Corn was active and 1c higher. June sold at 38¾c to 37½c, and rallied to 38¼c, closing at about 38¾c. May sold at 38@38¼c, and closed at 38½c.

Oats were

## THE COURTS.

### Another Bill Filed Against the Protection Insurance Company.

### A Colored Girl Returned to the Home of the Good Shepherd.

### Record of Judgments and New Suits—The Bankrupts.

### THE PROTECTION LIFE.

ANOTHER ASSAULT.

A Bill was filed yesterday by Shufeld & Westover in the Clerk's office of the United States Circuit Court for this district, which makes some charges against the Protection Life-Insurance Company, and concludes with a prayer that the Company and its officers be compelled to answer a score of questions.

Henry L. Korte, the complainant, alleges that he is a citizen of the State of Ohio, and administrator of the estate of John Soder, deceased. Having established his own status, he describes the Protection Life as an Illinois corporation, and Laurin P. Hilliard, Alanson W. Edwards, and John Reid as citizens of that State. The principle of insurance upon which the Company is formed is fully set forth, and is, in brief, that each policy-holder shall be assessed for his share of loss arising from the death of any other policy-holder. Rather fancying this scheme, John Soder, of Zanesville, Muskingum County, O., took, during the year 1872, policy No. 4,960, paying therefor $200 down, and binding himself to pay the price or sum of $5 for each and every year that such policy should remain in full force and virtue. It is doubtful if Mr. John Soder seriously contemplated the approach of death. His action was merely that precaution which the wise man thinks he is taking for his family when he goes into a modern insurance company. Anyway, on the 14th of October, 1873, John Soder lifted up his eyes above the thoughts and vanities of this world, and stretching forth his hands was gathered unto his fathers. There was great grief in Zanesville when the good man departed, but the more business-like of the neighbors thought of the suffering the demise entailed upon the Protection Life, which organization cruel death had relieved of $5 per annum as well as the $5,000 cash it had bet that John Soder would not die. Mr. Korte took this view of it, but felt that, however unpleasant, the duty of collecting the cash devolved upon him. He therefore sank the sorrow of his bereavement and feelings in the legal verbiage of some letters of administration. He got together his proofs that the fell destroyer had attended to his business in Zanesville, and armed therewith stepped, with many a sigh, upon mulcting the Company of the shekels provided for by policy No. 6,980.

Ohio boasts of not only furnishing the nation with a President, but also the country with a General Agent for the Protection Life, known to Columbus especially and the world generally as one Charles J. Hess. By some means, it is alleged, that gentleman had become possessed of the policy hereinbefore numbered 6,980, and having forwarded the proofs that John Soder had been gravely and appropriately interred, Mr. Korte went to Mr. Hess for the policy. Mr. Hess struggled with his emotions, and bad Mr. Korte that the policy had lapsed, and having lapsed once so often it could not be resurrected sufficiently to secure unto the administrator the wealth it once represented, and Mr. Korte went back to Zanesville with no prospect of recovering the money on which his heart had been set. Mr. Hess subsequently retracted the lapse statement, but the Company insisted that one or more certain $5 had not been paid, and that the $5,000 could not be absorbed by the administrator.

Down to this point Mr. Korte appears to have been satisfied that he had no show, but later developments brought him to his feet in virtuous indignation. The charges that Mr. Korte returned the policy over to the Company, and he then minutely describes what happened. In his proofs of death he stated the name of the deceased as Henry Soder, of Zanesville, Ohio, "his own as Henry E. Korte; that of the attending physician as Charles C. Hildreth; those of the undertakers as L. Brenhotz & Son; of the friend verifying the death-proofs, C. Adam Heffliman; and to the whole Charles A. Beard attached his name as Notary Public, all the parties being mentioned as residing at Zanesville, Muskingum County, O. In the very last moment Mr. Korte learned that the Company had made an assessment on the policyholders for the death of the gentleman described in Policy 6,980—"J. Lober, Chicago, Ill., proof whereof has been filed of death by yellow fever and return to by H. L. Korte, administrator; J. C. Hilliard, M. D., attending physician; J. Ehkem, undertaker; A. Hall, friend; before J. B. Burr, Notary Public of Chicago, Ill." Upon this representation the $5,000 were collected and paid. It is the Company, a fact of which Mr. Korte says he would have died in ignorance had it not been for the suit recently brought in the Superior Court of Cook County, in which the Company filed an answer admitting the collection of the money, and solemnly averring that it was on the policy of John Soder, of Zanesville, and that the different names of assessments, and names of places was owing to mistakes of clerks, copyists, and printers. It was an unfortunate company, the Company, for Mr. Korte denounces the Protection Life as officered by worthless, and demands a Receiver to take charge of the $5,000, subject to the order of the court.

In the prayer he demands that the Company make answer to certain specific allegations to the alleged facts already set forth, and also to certain other questions, one of which is: "Did the Company assess in the month of October, 1873, the sum of $5,000 by reason of the death of the following-named policy-holders: B. Conoly, $1,250; H. Klinghols, $2,500; H. Lehman, $2,500; S. H. Houseteter, $2,500; G. H. Long, $2,500; D. Hinkle, $2,500; F. Chilmas, $2,500; R. F. Wood, $2,500; H. W. Griswold, $5,000; M. McNamara, $5,000; J. R. Phinson, $5,000; L. Norton, $5,000; J. F. Alexander, $5,000; H. Cramer, $5,000" and it demands a statement in detail whether the money has ever been paid to the beneficiaries.

Other questions want information as to whether the Company received the money on thirteen policies assessed in February, 1874; on twelve policies assessed in December, 1876; on twelve policies assessed in January, 1877; on thirteen policies assessed in February, thirteen in March, and two in April, and time for collection on which assessments were made during 1874 and 1875.

### IN GENERAL.

A LIVELY TIME AMONG THE COLORED POPULATION.

About half the colored population of Chicago, apparently thronged the halls of the Court-House, and filled Judge Williams' room yesterday afternoon, to listen to a hearing on a petition for a habeas corpus. The applicant was Annie Louisa Parker, a girl about 14 years old, who had been put in the House of the Good Shepherd by her mother. The father died about a month ago, and the mother, who, by the way, is said to be a Dutch woman, finding she could not make her daughter mind, caused her to be arrested, and sent to the House of the Good Shepherd. One cause of the trouble between the two was the theological dignities which arose between them, the mother being Catholic and the girl Baptist. The Judge yesterday, after hearing the mother's statement, held that the Justice's commitment was void and legal, and that the mother had the full and sole power to say in what way she wished to dispose of her child. He therefore directed her to be returned to the House of the Good Shepherd. At this announcement the crowd, who seemed to sympathize with the girl, became greatly excited, and attempted to squeeze into the room and rescue the girl from the hands of the officer. The court-room was, however, cleared, and then the halls, and the girl in the course of half an hour was taken away, crying bitterly.

GABRIGHT & STICKLE.

Lewis D. Cartright filed a bill against his partner, Benjamin Stickle, yesterday, asking for a dissolution of partnership and account. Complainant says that in October last he went into the business of manufacturing and selling marble, granite, and stone work with Stickle, being induced to do so by the latter's representations that the business would get $6000 a month. Stickle had been, previous to that time, engaged in the same business, and as his share of the capital put in a considerable amount of stone, etc., much of which was invoiced far above its real value. Complainant has contributed about $6,500. About the 1st of this month it became evident that the firm must be dissolved, as it was, and had been for months, losing business, and partial arrangements were made tending to that end. The parties have not, however, been able to agree on the terms as to which the accounts should be collected, the goods sold, and the proceeds divided, and consequently, though they are suffering business, and though they have surrendered their lease, they have not been able to finally settle affairs. On the 23d inst. Stickle left the firm's place of business, saying he would henceforth devote his whole time to his individual affairs, which, it is charged, are in a bad way. Complainant fears Stickle will collect the firm's accounts, or dispose of some of its assets, and therefore asks for an injunction to prevent such a catastrophe; for an account, the appointment of a Receiver, and for the dissolution of the firm.

DIVORCES.

Lewis F. Cummings came into court yesterday to get a divorce, and he shows up a rather unusual state of affairs. Mr. Cummings married Miss Fern a couple of June and December affair, for he was only 28 years old when in September, 1873, he took to wife Mrs. Emily C. Calef, a widow 40 years of age. He became acquainted with her before her former husband died, and was so struck with admiration at her "unfaltering and heroic devotion and constant self-sacrifice" during the protracted illness of Mr. Calef that in due time after the latter's decease he "was induced to consent to a marriage to her." He now charges her with infidelity and asks for a divorce.

ITEMS.

Yesterday is the last day of service in the Federal and Superior Courts to the May term. New calendars will be prepared.

John Cherbo, a Constable, was fined $20 yesterday by Judge Rogers for refusing to surrender certain property he had seized, and sentenced to twenty days in the County Jail.

UNITED STATES COURTS.

W. H. Stone and Frank J. Remington commenced a suit for $10,000 against Henry Fuller, George W. Fuller, and D. H. Keyes.

James Holgate sued Charles Atkins for $1,500.

Thomas Worcester brought suit for $7,000 against John Forsythe.

The Goodyear Dental Vulcanite Company filed a bill against Charles H. Gerard, of Mt. Carroll, to prevent him from using their patent for an improvement in artificial gums and palates.

F. T. Hiscs sued Strickland's International Cased Goods Company to recover $1,500.

Emory L. Bates filed a bill against Lewis W. and Lucy B. Beck, A. H. Veeder, Olof Molin, Polly Green, S. H. Green, Elias Greenebaum, the Crystal Bank, C. B. Soderlund, B. S. Chase, J. J. Oronkhite, and C. A. Babcock to foreclose a mortgage for $7,825 on the N. E. ¼ of Sec. 20, the N. E. ¼ of Sec. 21, the N. W. ¼ of Sec. 21, the N. E. ¼ of Sec. 18, and the N. ½ of the N. E. ¼ of Sec. 30, 14 N., in Henry County.

Thomas Worcester, of Boston, Mass., filed a bill against John Forsythe, E. N. Stanley, F. W. Stanley, Marshall Field, and J. B. Telford to foreclose a mortgage for $25,000 on the E. 13 feet of Lot 5, and the W. 14 feet of Lot 4, all in Block 5, in Fort Dearborn Addition to Chicago.

BANKRUPTCY MATTERS.

A fifth dividend meeting in the matter of the Republic Insurance Company was yesterday called for May 16 before Register Jenks, and but $176,000 on hand about $176,000 on the last assessment against the stockholders, which will be enough to pay the remaining 20 per cent needed to make up the 100 cents on the dollar without interest. It is also expected that there will be enough to pay the interest in full.

Bradford Hancock, Assignee of Sheenfeld Bros., the North Clark street dry-goods merchants, filed a report yesterday, stating that he had taken possession of a stock of dry goods, carpets, etc., invoiced at $40,000, and their store, Nos. 166, 168, and 170 North Clark street, to have been selling at retail in the ordinary course of trade, and that of $18,000 worth of stock on hand. Bids have been received for the balance, the highest being that of S. Blumenfeld & Co., who offer 70½ per cent of the inventory price for stock and fixtures. Carson, Pirie & Co. bid $200 for the lease of the store. A rule was entered on all parties to show cause Saturday morning why this sale should not be confirmed.

The case of Herzog & Jackson was referred to the Register for final report.

An order was issued for the examination of James H. Morris, April 27, at 10 a. m. before the Register.

The creditors of John Hockl, the wholesale druggist, yesterday accepted a composition of 10 per cent cash. The election of an Assignee was as that account postponed to May 17.

Geo. W. Campbell was appointed Assignee of S. T. White.

An Assignee will be chosen at 10 o'clock to-day for John McArthur, ex-Postmaster, for Franklin H. and Charles L. Beckwith, and for George F. Parrington, at 11 a. m.

CIRCUIT COURT IN RECESS.

J. R. Adams began a suit for $1,200 against the Star Chemical Works.

James B. Story brought suit to recover $2,000 from Elliott B. Draper.

Howes Crane sued Hamilton B. and George M. Borge for $1,500.

W. R. Page began a suit against Samuel B. Gookins, claiming $5,000.

Edward Barton sued Robert Hervey for $1,200.

The Everett National Bank of Boston, Mass., commenced a suit for $12,000 against the Cook County Land Company. Sarah W. Watriss also commenced a similar action to recover $5,000 from the same Company.

The United States Rolling-Stock Company commenced a suit for $10,000 against the Chicago & Pacific Railroad Company.

M. W. Jack began a suit to recover $60,000 from James H. Chauncey T., and George S. Bowen.

George S. Bowen, for the use of Lyman B. DeWolf, commenced an action for $40,000 against the Chicago & Pacific Railroad Company.

E. D. Taylor brought suit for $4,000 against Roselle M., Albert J., and Charles H. Hangh.

CIRCUIT COURT.

Catharine Widmer commenced a suit in trover yesterday against John L. Hoerber, claiming $3,000 damages.

John Moore filed a bill against James S. and Larissa Kinkaid, R. R. Jenkins, Solomon Solomon, Sam. Solomon, Henry Solomon, Hoeck Solomon, Northrup, W. H. Vandeventer, Irving Hull, and James Patton, to foreclose a mortgage for $1,000 on Lots 1 to 30, inclusive, Block 10 of Jensen's Subdivision of the S. W. ¼ of the N. W. ¼ and the N. ½ of the N. ½ of the S. W. ¼ of Sec. 18, 39, 15, and another against the same parties to foreclose a mortgage for $4,000 on Lot 4, Block 3, in Rees' Addition to Lake View.

Christian Schmidt commenced an action in trespass against Morris L. Jones to recover $5,000 damages.

CRIMINAL COURT.

Dan Buckley was tried for burglary, found guilty, and given five years in the Penitentiary. He was one of the Dick Weaver gang.

Garrett Hays was convicted of burglary, and given four years in the Penitentiary.

THE CALL.

JUDGE DAY MOVES—The sleeper distillery case.

JUDGE BLODGETT—Stoner vs. City of Chicago on trial.

JUDGE GARY—Austen Judge Jameson. No. 3,506, Builder vs. Bank of Chicago. Jury.

JUDGE JAMESON—216 to 218, 221, 226, 227, 229, 232, 234, 235, 238, 241 to 244, 246, 248, 249, and 251, inclusive. No action.

JUDGE MOORE—45, 46, 47. No case on trial.

JUDGE ROGERS—2, 4, 150 to 251, inclusive. No. 3,677, Blatchervick vs. Prairie State Bank, on trial.

JUDGE MCALLISTER—Set cases 5,118, Artmayer vs. Agnew; 2,516, Parker vs. Pierce; and calendar 566 to 583, inclusive. Set cases 2,284 and 2,285, Hall vs. Grundies, on trial.

JUDGE LAWRENCE—Set case 1,567, Brawley vs. Curtis.

JUDGE WILLIAMS—Set case 1,022, Adix vs. Denehy.

JUDGMENTS.

CIRCUIT COURT—CONFESSIONS—F. L. Hornig vs. Willis W. Tripp, $161.81.

JUDGE GARY—Wilmington Star Coal Company vs. Alfred Hill, $368.16.—Thomas Nicoles vs. Joseph Hanigan, $226.50.

JUDGE JAMESON—E. D. Marshall vs. J. Rock, $414.90.—John Green vs. A. D. Frost, $111.

CHANCERY COURT—JUDGE MCALLISTER—John Loeve vs. Charles Lindner; verdict, $300, and motion for new trial.—J. S. Ober vs. Saul and Lewis Shiffman, $101.37.—Wm. Wilson vs. Wilhelm Mannheimer, $386.25.—George Greenwald vs. Jacob Berke, $14.46.—A. Schlesinger vs. Charles W. Weston, $400.

### PEORIA.

A GREAT SQUABBLE.

*Special Dispatch to The Tribune.*

PEORIA, Ill., April 26.—On the 30th day of March, 1877, the City Council of Peoria, by unanimous vote, passed a general appropriation ordinance covering all the items of expenditure for the fiscal year 1870. By the charter of the city the Council is composed of the Mayor and nineteen Aldermen. The Mayor is the presiding officer of the Council, but can only give a casting vote. On the 3d of April Mayor Robinson, by virtue of the authority vested in him by the Mayor's act of 1875, vetoed one item of $11,000 for new pumps to replace an old one at the Water-Works. The Council then, as required by law, reconsidered the vote, and then, by 12 yeas to 6 nays, voted to pass said item, notwithstanding the Mayor's veto. The Mayor then claimed that as the measure to be passed over his veto had to receive a two-thirds vote of all the members elect to the City Council, HE WAS A COMPONENT PART OF THE COUNCIL, and, consequently, that it required two-thirds of the votes of the nineteen in the Council to pass the item. He also claimed that he could give a casting vote, and thus defeat the item, and, therefore, voted in the negative and declared the measure lost. The Council then adopted a resolution declaring this item carried, notwithstanding the veto of the Mayor, and, on the next evening, let the contract to Dean Bros., of Indianapolis, for the pumps. Shortly afterwards twenty prominent citizens, by procurement of the Mayor, obtained a temporary injunction restraining the city from carrying out said contract. The City Council then authorized the employment of special counsel to represent the city's side of the case. L. Harmon, Esq., and Judge L. Hopkins were retained by the city, each.

AFTER AN INVESTIGATION OF THE CASE,

decided to move to dissolve the injunction for want of equity on the face of the bill. The case was fully presented by these gentlemen for the city and Thomas Creiry and D. M. McCulloch for complainants on last Saturday and Monday. This morning Judge Cochrane decided the motion, and holds that the Mayor could not be counted; that only the Aldermen—the legislative members—were intended to be counted, and that it was not a case where the Mayor could give the casting vote, and, therefore, the measure was lawfully passed, by a vote of 12 to 6; that the contract made with Dean Brothers was not a debt within the meaning of the prohibition of the Constitution to exceed the revenue of the year; and that the Constitution confers upon the boards of public cities from making contracts for the services of its employes or officers, or with contractors to furnish machinery, all to be paid for out of the year. The Court dissolved the injunction.

THE SPEAKERSHIP.

have been very bitter in denouncing this contract, and it remains to be seen whether either of them will attack the Judge for acting independently of and deciding the opposite of what they in advance told him he ought to hold to be the law of this case.

### CURRENT OPINION.

Let us have peace, but no more Commissions, for this year at least.—*Kendallville (Ind.) Standard (Rep.).*

As week after week goes by without bringing that expected office, Logan grows more and more positive that the President's Southern policy is a great mistake.—*Springfield (Mass.) Republican (Ind.).*

THE CHICAGO TRIBUNE asks the Illinois Legislature to enact a law forbidding Assemblymen to accept free railway passes. Pass your law; then see every member buy his season ticket—for a nickel.—*Dubuque Times (Rep.).*

When Wade's letter condemning Hayes and his Southern policy closes with the declaration that the "stalwart Republican sentiment," he is correct. But, as they think that the merchants, manufacturers, and business-men generally represent that stalwart sentiment, they fail to see the force of it.—*Washington (D. C.) Republican (Rep.).*

There is an honest division of sentiment on the Southern question; but the division is not factious or reactionary, and will not be so. If the President's policy succeeds it will be sustained; if not, his own party will condemn it. No one knows this better than the President himself, and it is only his indiscreet and supersevicable friends who are trying to brand as schismatics and seceders the Republicans who do not approve their precedence as to the safety of Republican rights in the South under the Democratic restoration.—*Cleveland Leader (Radical Rep.).*

We are in receipt of numerous letters from Republicans in reference to the Southern policy of the President, and are frank to say that, neither in conversation nor in correspondence, have we found, throughout this section of the State, any universal commendation of that policy. It is acquiesced in. It is accepted as an experiment. It is received on trial. It is received with misgiving, with tremulous hope, at the best. Often it is bitterly denounced, being esteemed a surrender of principle.—*Rockford (N. Y.) Democrat-Chronicle (Radical Rep.).*

It is idle for Mr. Benjamin Wade, or any of the rest of us to try, to reinstate Slavery, or to bring back again the fight for its abolition. Mr. Wade is 70 years old. The country is controlled by men between 30 and 40. That young blood has forgotten all about Slavery; it cares for new issues, and will move on to solve them. Above all it wants no Ireland in this country, and will have none. . . . Republics are not built on revenge, but on the common welfare of the whole people. The Republican party will grow strong, as it recognizes this principle.—*St. Joseph (Mo.) Herald (Rep.).*

Certain Democrats, especially Tilden's friends, are moving heaven and earth to find some place in the Administration for Governor Seymour. Even the Democratic Congressmen-elect in New York City have been asked to resign and give him a chance, but they positively refuse to entertain the proposition. It is to be hoped that he will succeed. The country has had a specimen of his work, and is thoroughly disgusted with it. He does not possess the first desirable qualification for civil service—legitimate fame. We may look for every White-Leaguer to rush to the fields and begin the raising of immense crops to restore the material prosperity of Louisiana. We may look for every white man to grasp the hoe and other plantation-tools, and begin by honest toil to restore the prostrate industry of the State. We may look—but what will we see?—*Burlington Hawkeye (Rep.).*

The war against the Union, which began with the Secession movement, and which was continued in the centralizing movement after the banner of "the Lost Cause" had been furled, is forever at an end. The old flag floats over States supreme in the exercise of their sovereign rights, and over Conventions: the President rules a Republic instituted and constituted by Republics, not a central despotism founded upon the wreck of the Federal Constitution.—*New Orleans Picayune (Dem.).*

It was Voltaire who said: "Whoever says to me, 'Think as I do, or God will damn you,' will soon say, 'Think as I do, or I will kill you.' Let us beseech God to soften these savage hearts, and inspire in all His children sentiments of brotherhood." Some New-England Methodists and our own rampageous Southern Bourbons would do well to adopt the great French infidel's gospel. It is better than their gospel of hate.—*Memphis (Tenn.) Appeal.*—*Atlanta (Ga.) Herald (Dem.).*

Senator Blaine says that the President's Southern policy does not represent the stalwart Republican sentiment of New England. The New England papers very generally retort that if the Senator means that a few disgruntled politicians represent the "stalwart Republican sentiment," he is correct. But, as they think that the merchants, manufacturers, and business-men generally represent that stalwart sentiment, they fail to see the force of what the Senator says.—*Washington (D. C.) Republican (Rep.).*

There is an honest division of sentiment on the Southern question; but the division is not factious or reactionary, and will not be so. If the President's policy succeeds it will be sustained; if not, his own party will condemn it. No one knows this better than the President himself, and it is only his indiscreet and supersevicable friends who are trying to brand as schismatics and seceders the Republicans who do not approve their precedence as to the safety of Republican rights in the South under the Democratic restoration.—*Cleveland Leader (Radical Rep.).*

The whole tribe of impracticable people, of whom Wade and Wendell Phillips now appear as conspicuous leaders, can doubtless be found to be quite honest, though it must be admitted that they generally have "bees in their bonnets." But clearly the number of such people is not large. Wade has been mentioned as a "representative Republican of Ohio." It is true that he is, as such, as appears from the fact that at the recent Senatorial election he, appearing as a candidate, received no support worth speaking of, while a Republican of the pronounced Hayes type was elected. It also appears from the recent meeting of the Republican State Committee of Ohio, when Hayes' policy was generally approved.—*Buffalo Express (Rep.).*

It is simply disgusting to note the frantic efforts that have been made by Northern Democratic papers, since the settlement of the gubernatorial question in South Carolina, to prevent the successful consummation of Mr. Hayes' Southern policy by the quiet and satisfactory adjustment of the Louisiana case. They have persistently maintained that Hayes was in honor bound to uphold the pretensions of Packard, and have sought, by every species of ridicule and sarcasm, to alienate from him the moral support of the masses of the people in his earnest efforts to pacify and conciliate the South. Unless these journals speedily change their tone, we shall witness before long an alliance between Northern Democrats and Southern carpet-baggers calculated to make the Devil split his sides with laughter.—*New Orleans Democrat (Dem.).*

The venerable Robert Dale Owen, in a recent letter, expresses in forcible language his gratification with the Southern policy of President Hayes, and declares that he has seen no time since the election of Mr. Lincoln to the Presidency when the political outlook was so hopeful as at the present. He gives as the grounds of his hope the fact that so much prominence has been given to Civil-Service Reform, and the recognition of the principle of local self-government without interference of the military arm of the National Government, and also the spirit of conciliation that pervades the whole policy of the President and his advisers. We think the President has nothing to fear from the discontent of such men as Blaine and Wade, and that, if he remains firm, as he believes he will, "the Hayes Administration will prove to be one of the most prosperous and deservedly popular the country has ever enjoyed."

The charge that I made any bargain of any sort, or had any understanding of any character, with Foster, whom I saw, or with Stanley Matthews (whom I did not see until the inauguration), looking either to the Presidential count, or to the action of any Democrat in reference to the future organization of the House or parties, is basely false in every syllable and in every sense. I did not make any promise to let the count go on. I was not asked to make any. I did not then, nor have I since had, one word of conversation with either of these gentlemen, nor with anybody else, looking to any political compromises or political arrangements or affiliations of any description whatsoever. My only agency, my only effort, in this Presidential count was this: When I saw that Mr. Tilden's cause was gone, I—lost by many hours of concert of action prior to the passage of the Electoral bill.—lost beyond the power of rescue by any man or set of men. I determined to do all in my power to save from the wreck local self-government to South Carolina or Louisiana, which was the great end of our endeavor in the last campaign. If that be treason to principle, to party, or to country, let my personal enemies "make the most of it."—*Senator Gordon (Dem.), of Georgia.*

### "BECAME SOUND AND WELL."

HATCHER'S STATION, Ga., March 27, 1876.—*R. V. Pierce, M. D.*—DEAR SIR: My wife, who had been ill for over two years, and had tried many other medicines, became sound and well by using your Favorite Prescription. My niece was also cured by its use, after several physicians had failed to do her any good. Yours truly,

THOMAS J. METHVIN.

## FOREIGN MISSIONS.

### Last Day of the Session of the Presbyterian Board.

### Addresses by Various Members—Election of Officers—The Finances.

### Reception in the Evening at the Second Church—Congratulatory Remarks.

The Woman's Presbyterian Board of Foreign Missions for the Northwest concluded their sixth annual meeting yesterday in the First Presbyterian Church, corner of Indiana avenue and Twenty-first street. The attendance was larger than that of the previous day.

The morning session was begun at 10 o'clock, the President, Mrs. A. R. Hoge, in the chair.

After devotional exercises, there was held on the platform what is technically called a

"MODEL MEETING,"

Mrs. Hoge vacating the chair and Mrs. P. J. R. Kemler occupying it, and a number of ladies taking seats around her.

These model meetings are for the purpose of encouraging similar gatherings throughout the country, and are intended to give the delegates an idea as to the manner in which meetings for the missionary cause should be conducted. To illustrate, brief remarks on missionary work, historical, statistical, geographical, financial, etc., were made by the Chair and Mesdames W. B. Jacobs, M. J. Wilson, Dr. Smith, Douglas, J. R. Nicholas, C. B. Nelson, A. M. Gibbs, William Blair, Albert Keep, Arthur Smith, William R. Gould, George H. Laflin, and H. M. Humphrey.

After prayer by Mrs. Gibbs, the Board resumed its business.

Mr. W. C. Gray, managing editor of the *Interior*, offered to publish a full report of the proceedings of the Board and furnish copies to the ladies attending the meeting free of expense. The offer was unanimously accepted.

ADDRESSES.

The topic for discussion, "Consecration," continued from the previous day, was taken up, and Mrs. F. Young, of Iowa, and Mrs. Robinson, read well-written papers on the subject.

Mrs. William M. Ferry, of Michigan, read a scholarly paper on "Steadfastness." It showed the necessity of continuing vigorous action in the missionary cause, and urged all present to remain steadfast in the work.

"So Much to Do at Home" was the topic of an address by Mrs. H. B. Fry, of Salem, O., in which she showed that those who were so disposed could spare from their home duties time to attend to missionary work, and cited the labors of several who had found time to devote to the cause of saving the heathen.

At noon the delegates adjourned to the lecture-room for lunch, prepared by the ladies of the First Church, and at 2 o'clock they reassembled. The attendance was largely augmented.

The Rev. Mrs. Moses Smith, President of the Congregational Board, offered prayer.

"Gift Worship" was the subject of an essay by Mrs. Gen. Van Cleve, of Minneapolis, the oldest living white inhabitant of Minnesota, and a venerable lady, with a clear, distinct voice that could be heard in all parts of the church. She strongly urged support of foreign missions, and spoke of the great good that had been done in heathen countries through the agency of Christian women. She wished that all the gay and fashionable garments with which the ladies bedecked themselves could be sold, and the proceeds devoted to the redemption of souls.

Mrs. John Harvey, of the Canada Board of Missions, offered prayer.

Mrs. S. J. Rhea, from Persia, made a few earnest remarks on the subject of "Gift Worship," and informed the delegates that the daughter of a lady lately deceased had given her $150, bequeathed to the Board by the latter on her death-bed. Mrs. Rhea then offered her remarks in prayer.

The President announced that Mrs. Rhea would conduct

A CHILDREN'S MEETING

on the platform, and a missionary band, of about thirty members from different churches, shortly took the seats provided for them. The exercises consisted of silent prayer, singing of a hymn, a recitation by a lad, the reading of Scripture by a young girl, reading of minutes of a previous child-dren's missionary meeting by the youthful Secretary, remarks of a statistical nature regarding the mission work in India, and the geographical and local position of India by the Geographer, a little girl; reading about the religious customs of the Brahmins, a song by three little ones; a facetious paper by a youth, which showed that boys and girls could raise money for foreign missions, and which caused much laughter in the audience; items concerning India by several of the children, a story by a little miss, statements regarding the peculiar and comical customs of the Hindoos by all the children, a calling of the roll by the Secretary, and the handing in of contributions in envelopes for the missionary cause. The entertainment, for such it proved to be to the delegates, was closed by the recital of a verse of Scripture in concert.

The business of the Board was then resumed.

THE COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS,

through their Chairman, Mrs. W. A. Edson, reported as follows:

*Resolved*, That Presbyterial organization be urged as important to the thorough and systematic prosecution of the foreign mission work by Presbyterian women, because it has been demonstrated that the efforts of all the churches in the Presbyteries already organized are found to be greatly stimulated, encouraged, and promoted.

*Resolved*, That the "envelope system" is the most effective method of securing enlarged and unfailing collections.

*Resolved*, That renewed efforts be made to enlist the children in the cause, that they may give their pennies and their prayers for heathen children.

*Resolved*, That all moneys shall be sent quarterly by the Treasurers of auxiliaries to the Presbyterial Treasurers, and by them to the Treasurers of the Northwestern Board.

*Resolved*, That each auxiliary form a circulating library of missionary contributions.

*Resolved*, That committees be appointed in each auxiliary and Presbytery, whose duty it shall be to secure subscribers for the monthly magazines, *Woman's Work for Woman* and *Children's Work for Children*.

*Resolved*, That each auxiliary contribute $1 for the publication of the annual report, in order that the essays which are to be read may be embodied in it for the benefit of those whom we represent.

*Resolved*, That auxiliaries that have pledged themselves to support a specific object shall not, without good cause, seek to change it.

*Resolved*, That Christian women shall remember that the prayers and offerings of consecrated women at home are as necessary to the success of foreign missions as are the labors of consecrated workers abroad.

*Resolved*, That we, as a Board, take Christ to our hearts and homes in the persons of the children of missionaries who are sent to this country to be educated, by providing for their education and support.

*Resolved*, That the annual meeting be held in Cedar Rapids, Ia., the last week of April, 1878.

The report also contained resolutions of thanks to the ladies of the First and Second Churches for their hospitality, to Mr. Thain for conducting the music, to the press for reports, and to the railroad companies for reduced fares. The report was adopted.

On motion of Mrs. Albert Keep, the date of the fiscal year was changed from April 1 to the 20th.

The COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS

reported the following as the officers of the Board for the ensuing year, and they were approved of:

*President*—Mrs. A. H. Hoge.

*Vice-Presidents*—Mrs. R. W. Patterson, Highland Park, Ill.; Mrs. William Blair and Mrs. Cyrus H. McCormick, Chicago; Mrs. J. V. Farwell, Lake Forest, Ill.; Mrs. J. G. Johnson, Peoria, Ill.; Mrs. G. H. Hood, Bloomington, Ill.; Mrs. William P. Pierson, Onarga, Ill.; Mrs. S. C. Hutchinson, New Albany, Ind.; Mrs. R. C. Waterman and Mrs. J. Wheeler, Detroit, Mich.; Mrs. J. S. Ely, Cedar Rapids, Ia.; Mrs. W. Merrill and Mrs. Thankinton, Milwaukee, Wis.; Mrs. Gen. Van Cleve, Minneapolis, Minn.; Mrs. W. D. Raymond, Granville, O.; Mrs. J. D. Kerr, Nebraska City, Neb.; Mrs. Asa Turner, Hannibal, Mo.; Mrs. Dr. Humphrey, Louisville, Ky.; Mrs. F. L. Perrine, Omaha.

*Recording Secretary*—Miss E. A. Blatchford.

*Home Corresponding Secretaries*—Mrs. George H. Laflin, Mrs. H. H. Fry.

*Foreign Corresponding Secretaries*—Mrs. Albert Keep, Mrs. H. H. Fry, Mrs. H. F. Wales.

*Treasurer*—Mrs. Jesse Whitehead.

*Managers*—Mesdames D. L. Pearsons, G. C. Benton, Arthur Mitchell, J. Munro Gibson, J. S. French, Glen Wood, W. B. Jacobs, John Noble, Benjamin Douglas, Harry Willing, Rhen Chisman, H. H. Vedder, Milwaukee; J. N. Barker, E. S. Williams, Hyde Park; H. A. Edson, Indianapolis; A. M. Gibbs, Evanston; S. D. Ward, Lake Forest; A. S. Williams, Detroit; William H. Benton, St. Louis; Julia E. Kendall, Laporte; W. C. Durand, Milwaukee; W. Holt, Owatonna, Minn.; A. C. Scott, Kossuth, Ia.; Miss Carrie Weed, Ypsilanti; Misses M. F. Fulton and Lafon, Louisville.

*Editorial Committee*—Mrs. A. M. Gibbs, Evanston; Henry Willing, Chicago.

Miss Mary Porter, a missionary from China, and Miss Jennie Dean, from Persia, made addresses concerning their labors and the condition of the heathen women in their districts.

THE FINANCES.

The Treasurer, Mrs. Whitehead, reported that $407 had been received since her report the previous day, and that $900 was required for the General Board. But $150 contributed by a lady now deceased was placed in her hands, and $800 was the balance to be contributed.

Mrs. George H. Laflin moved that the amount be raised between that time and the meeting of the General Assembly, and Mrs. Lyon, of Detroit, amended it by making it incumbent on the Board to contribute the deficiency on the spot. The amendment was adopted, and eight ladies were appointed to take up a collection.

Mrs. J. F. Nicholas announced that she would be one of thirty-two ladies who would give $25 each, and Mrs. Merrill, of Milwaukee, stated that several ladies from her section were anxious to contribute at once.

Mrs. Keep stated that the amount collected would be reported at the reception to be held in the Second Church in the evening.

The Board adjourned sine die after the singing of a hymn and prayer by the Rev. J. Munro Gibson, of the Second Presbyterian Church.

IN THE EVENING

a reception was held in the parlors and lecture-room of the Second Church, corner of Michigan avenue and Twentieth street. It was an informal gathering, intended for the purpose of bringing the visiting delegates in social communication with each other, and with those of the city. The church had been decorated with fragrant flowers and illuminated for the Perkins-Chappel wedding mentioned elsewhere, and the visitors came in shortly after that brilliant affair was over, and the scene created by the reception was in striking contrast with that which preceded it. The guests came in a little after 8 o'clock, and they comprised nearly all the leading ladies of the Presbyterian Church in the Northwest, and some from other sections of the country. A number of clergymen were also on hand, and a sprinkling of young ladies, with a few beaux. An animated conversation was carried on by the happy throng, the principal topic, of course, being the very successful Convention which had just closed, and the great benefits to be derived from it. The ladies flattered themselves—and justly—that they had gotten through a large amount of business, as well as a vast deal of talk in the two days' sessions of the Board, and they felt so proud of it that they deemed it a matter for frequent congratulation. And the gentlemen present felt bound to accord them the necessary graceful compliments. The able and expeditious manner in which Mrs. Hoge conducted the sessions was also subject for frequent remark, and that lady was the centre of attraction.

Light refreshments were served by the ladies of the Second Church, and after they were disposed of the busy hum of so many female voices was hushed for a short time, and under the Chairmanship of the Rev. J. Munro Gibson, pastor of the church, short congratulatory addresses were delivered by the Rev. Arthur Mitchell and Dr. C. L. Thompson. At the conclusion of their remarks the reception was closed, and with much hearty handshaking and earnest good-byes and Godspeeds the visitors and others retired.

## MARINE.

### CHICAGO.

ARRIVED—Stmr Alpena, Manitowoc, sundries; stmr Sheboygan, Manitowoc, sundries; prop Messenger, Benton Harbor, sundries; prop New Era, Grand Haven, towing; schr Flying Mist, Muskegon, railroad ties; schr Regulator, White Lake, lumber; schr Kate Lyons, Muskegon, lumber; schr J. B. Merrill, Muskegon, lumber; schr A. L. Potter, Milwaukee, iron ore; schr Driver, Saugatuck, bark; schr Merchant, Bay de Noque, fish; schr C. Raab, Ahnapee, railroad ties; schr Mary A. Gregory, Bailey's Harbor, fish; schr E. Scoville, Negaunee, lumber; schr Ironsider, Kewaunee, railroad ties; schr J. M. Forrest, Ahnapee, railroad ties; schr B. F. Wade, Alaska, railroad ties; schr Beloit, Alaska, bark; schr C. J. Roeder, Horn's Pier, railroad ties; schr Charley Hibbard, Ahnapee, railroad ties; schr Lizzie Doak, St. Joseph, lumber; schr Belle Brown, Ahnapee, railroad ties; scow R. H. Becker, Two Creeks, lumber; stmr Corona, St. Joe, sundries; stmr Chicago, Manitowoc, sundries; stmr Muskegon, Muskegon, sundries; prop George Dunbar, Muskegon, lumber; prop Skylark, St. Joe, sundries; prop C. P. Heath, Saugatuck, sundries; prop Trader, Grand Haven, sundries; prop Lawrence, Cleveland, sundries; prop St. Albans, Cleveland, sundries; schr Minerva, Muskegon, lumber; schr Felicitous, Ahnapee, railroad ties; schr M. Mueller, Muskegon, wood; schr Wollin, Holland, lumber; schr Bertie Calkins, Muskegon, lumber; schr G. R. Jonnson, WhiteLake, railroad ties; schr Ida, Muskegon, railroad ties; sch

# THE CITY.

## GENERAL NEWS.

Prof. F. L. Patton will return this morning from his Eastern trip.

The regular monthly meeting of the W. C. T. Union will be held in Room 5, 148 Madison street, at 10 a. m. to-day.

The Gospel Temperance Union will hold their regular weekly meeting this evening in lower Farwell Hall, led by William Murray.

Some carpenter tools, which were found by the police in the rear of No. 237 Noble, are awaiting an owner at the West Madison Street Station.

The Rev. C. H. Everest, the new pastor of Plymouth Congregational Church, will preach a Gospel sermon to the masses, in the Tabernacle, Sunday afternoon.

"A Month Side tailor advertises: "Pants made for $5 in twenty-four hours in fifty different patterns of cassimere," and still lays no claim to lineal descent from the architect of Joseph's coat of many colors.

The Rev. W. W. Patton, who has been tendered the Presidency of the Howard University, at Washington, D. C., has not decided whether he will accept or not. He desires to look the ground over before giving a definite answer.

The temperature yesterday, as observed by Manasse, optician, No. 88 Madison street (Tribune Building), was at 6 a. m., 53 degrees; 10 a. m., 55; 12 m., 51; 3 p. m., 50; 8 p. m., 48. Barometer at 8 a. m., 30.6; 8 p. m., 30.

Officer Brennan yesterday afternoon killed a mad dog that was making things lively in the vicinity of No. 4 Sedgwick street, and thereby won the everlasting gratitude of a servant girl, who would have been torn to pieces had it not been for his timely arrival.

During a lull in the wheat deals on 'Change yesterday, some one stuck up a cane in the wheat-corner with a card on it, upon which was described, "To let, inquire of John C. Harris." J. C. H., when he saw it, shed one briny tear and pulled down the cane.

At 1:30 yesterday morning Luther J. R. Tibbett, a employé of the Chicago Meat-Preserving Company, at the corner of Michigan and LaSalle streets, while looking down the elevator hatchway was accidentally struck on the head by the ice-scraping machine, and was badly though not seriously injured.

At 10:30 yesterday morning, Willie Schaaf, a 4-year-old son of John Schaaf, residing at No. 95 North Wells street, was run over by a buggy driven by Lambert Monsigan, of No. 260 North avenue. The little fellow's left leg, head, and face were badly bruised, but the attending physician thinks not seriously.

Willie Dalson, a 12-year-old runaway from Boone, Ia., was at the Armory last night pending a search for his aunt, Hattie Dalson, who is supposed to reside in this city. On his way here he was unfortunate enough to shoot himself in the right hand with a pistol which he bought to defend himself by, and this incapacitates him from doing any work.

At a meeting of the Mexican Veteran Association held at the Sherman House last night, C. R. Otis in the chair, it was decided to admit all persons having served in the Mexican war into the society. The action had special reference to those who had served as army-teamsters, and was taken upon the advice of the Secretary of the National Association at Washington.

A debating society for the discussion of political subjects has been organized by the young Republicans of the Third Ward. The enterprise is commendable, since the young voters should become interested in politics and posted on the issues of the day. The first debate will be Saturday evening, when the policy of President Hayes towards the South will be debated. All who can should attend and encourage the young gentlemen in this laudable undertaking.

Some time ago Sigfried Levy gave it out that he had been appointed Barge Inspector for the Northwest, headquarters at Chicago. The salary of such an office was supposed to be $3,500, and an official bond was required of $100,000. Collector J. Russell Jones couldn't understand when such an office existed, and wrote to the authorities at Washington in regard to it, and received a reply that no such office exists. Levy has appointed seven Deputy-Inspectors, and it is now his turn to rise and explain who appointed him.

Yesterday was the fifty-eighth anniversary of Odd-Fellowship in America, the Order having been founded in Baltimore, April 26, 1819. It is customary to commemorate the event by appropriate ceremonies, and this was done in the various parts of Illinois. There was, however, no general celebration in Chicago, but many of the lodges held meetings last evening and listened to music and addresses. Dearborn Lodge, No. 4, celebrated the Installation of Patriarchs went to Joliet, where there was a parade, in which lodges from the towns in the neighborhood took part, and a concert and literary entertainment. A banquet and ball followed. About 500 excursionists went from this city. They will return early this morning.

ILLINOIS PRESS ASSOCIATION.

At a meeting of the officers and Executive Committee of the Illinois Press Association, held at the office of S. P. Rounds, 175 Monroe street, yesterday afternoon, it was decided to accept the invitation of the Mayor and Aldermen of East St. Louis, tendering the freedom of the city and all needed accommodations for holding its thirteenth annual Convention. It was decided to hold the Convention May 7 at East St. Louis. It was also determined to make the annual excursion of the Association over the St. Louis, Northern & Kansas City Railroad from St. Louis to Kansas City, thence by special invitation of the Jackson, Topeka & Santa Fe Railroad to Pueblo, Colorado, and thence by the Denver & Rio Grande Railroad to Denver; after resting in Denver to visit the mines at Central City, and on the return trip to stop at Colorado Springs. Visiting the "Garden of the Gods," Monument Park, Manitou Springs, and from Pueblo the Association will take a trip to Canon City, visiting the Grand Canon of the Arkansas, returning to Kansas City about the 16th of June.

An invitation was received from J. H. McVicker, through his agent, Mr. Sharp, for the members of the Association present at the meeting to visit the theatre in the evening, which was accepted with thanks.

After transacting other business pertaining to the Convention and excursion the meeting was adjourned.

HOTEL ARRIVALS.

*Palmer House*—Col. N. Y. W. Swan, Terre Haute; the Hon. L. K. Worcester, Whitehall; N. Y.; L. P. Plantz, Sandusky; Hon. Daniel Baskin, Milwaukee; Amasa Whipple, Boston; H. U. Cahn, New York; F. R. Harris, Philadelphia; C. H. Webb, New York; Col. W. C. Mc-Donald, Virginia City, Nevada; Bonanza; Gen. Frank Wenich, Denver; James Crandall, Glasgow; Hon. Thomas Bowen, Grand Rapids; A. S. Baldwin, Milwaukee; Prof. R. S. Nadell, Louisville; James Spencer, England.....*Tremont House*—Senator G. E. Spencer, Alabama; Hon. Smith Miller, Mt. J. M. Adsit, Jr., D. D. Barker, G. H. Ballou and Col. N. C. Winslow, New York; Col. T. Lee, Pond du Lac; Gen. J. T. Averill, St. Paul; George Crowell, Boston; Hon. Calvin Reid, Hartford; Thomas W. Halliday, Cairo; A. Gilchrist, Toronto; Hon. John Dix, the Misses Law, Mr. and Mrs. D. S. Taylor, Mr. John Trambull, Mr. Thomas B. Kent, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. John R. Drake, Miss Norton, Mr. and Mrs. William Keen, Mr. John Roe.

THE PRESENTS.

In one of the reception-rooms the presents were displayed, numerous and costly, and among them a casket of silver spoons, by and Mrs. Mr. Mayer; Shakspeare's works, elegantly bound; Miss Hamilton; silver fruit-knives, Mr. and Mrs. George M. Pullman; fish-knife and fork, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Norwell; sauce-spoons, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Auer; silver and gold spoons, Mr. J. Franck Rumsey; gold candelabras, Mr. and Mrs. R. Ackerman; berry-dish and spoon, Mr. and Mrs. L. Z. Leiter; silver gravy and fish spoons, Mrs. James McKindley; gilt sconces, Miss Weaver; candelabras and clock, Messrs. James McQ. Douglas and E. F. Chappell; bracelets set with pearls, Mr. D. Greenholds; Paris camel's hair shawl, Mr. Edward Perkins; a $1,000 gold check, Mr. William H. Chappell, father of the bride; watch, Lester Maher; Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Jones, Jr.; clock, carbon bracelet, Mr. Petrock Kino; cameo shawlpin, Mr. and Mrs. Hamilton; rosewood and ebony portfolio for engravings, Dr. and Mrs. Colvill; silver spoons and fruit-knives, Messrs. Colville and Douglas; jewel-casket, Mr. Ralph H. White; silver egg-spoons, Mrs. Hulbert; traveling-clock, Mr. and Mrs. John B. Drew.

The music was furnished by Hand's orchestra, and consisted of new pieces written in honor of the occasion. The supper was served in the main hall, and looked like a splendid fairy banquet. At 10 o'clock the bridal party left, starting East on the 10:30 train to take the steamer for Europe.

## ARIZONA.

ITS RESOURCES AND PROSPECTS.

The ordinary run of individuals who return from the Black Hills and other equally famous sections of the great West are a snare to the unwary. They usually have the most monstrous yarns to relate, and the greatest inducements to offer to all who desire to emigrate,—rich or poor, well-to-do or down at the heels,—and the infatuation which a false prospect of sudden wealth, easily acquired, opens to them, spreads and continues to spread until hundreds and thousands of poor fools part with all they have and fly to the supposed Eldorado only to find themselves without means, discouraged and utterly disheartened by the cheerless reality so unlike the rosy ideal pictured to them in the rosiest of language. It is consoling to once in a while come across a man who, while able to furnish accurate information about the resources of a newly-developed country, has the good sense to caution the restless and the uneasy against the folly of rushing in, without the means to start in the new life, as the majority do. Such instances are rare. As TRIBUNE reporter met such a gentleman last evening, however,—a Mr. T. M. McEnter, of San Francisco, who is staying at the Commercial for a few days, on his way East from Arizona, where he is interested in one of the newly-developed mines of that Territory—the Cerro Colorado. Desirous of obtaining reliable information in regard to the resources and prospects in that far-off region, the reporter asked his mission to the gentleman, who readily complied with the request to furnish such information.

Probably very few people know just how to get to Arizona. As yet the majority of emigrants are people from California. The recent completion of the Southern Pacific Road from San Francisco to Fort Yuma, on the very border of Arizona, has provided an easy way of reaching the Territory from the west. It is designed to extend this road into the interior at an early day, but at present the journey from Ft. Yuma in is by teams.

THE ROUTE FROM THE EAST

is more troublesome. The nearest railroad point to Arizona on the east is Ft. Garland, on a branch of the Denver & Rio Grande Road, which connects with the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe Road. From Ft. Garland the traveler is obliged to team it to Arizona—a long journey to the southwest, through the southern part of Colorado, and through New Mexico. It is intended to have Tom Scott and the San Francisco railroad kings, Stanford, Hopkins, and the rest, to have the western and eastern terminii of the Southern Pacific should it ever become a certainty—come together at some point within a hundred miles of the Rio Grande River. Should their fond hopes be realized, the journey from Chicago to Boston will reach Arizona in much less time and without experiencing any of the hardships which now fall to his lot. So much for the present mode of reaching the country.

THE SILVER MINES

of Arizona have but lately been discovered and developed. But they promise great things for the future. In speaking with Mr. McEnter on this subject,—the most important in connection with the Territory,—the reporter learned something about the most prouctive mines now being worked. According to Mr. McEnter, these are the Peck, the McCracken, the Silver King, the Silver Queen, the Cerro Colorado, and the Cerro Gordo. The Peck mine is situated near Prescott, the former capital of Arizona, and some idea of its value may be had from the fact that two-fifths of it were sold about two weeks ago for the sum of $437,000 to Lent & Co., wealthy capitalists of San Francisco, and yet this mine has only been worked a little over a year, and only one shaft has as yet been sunk, while it is estimated that the vein extends to the depth of 150 feet.

The McCracken mine is situated in the northwestern part of the Territory. It is owned by a corporation which has a ten-stamp mill on the ground. The yield is continuous and highly satisfactory as to the quality of the ore produced. This mine also has not been worked over a year.

The Silver King—one of the largest of the lot, if not the largest—lies farther south, near Florence, in the mountain bordering on the Gila River, the principal stream in the territory. It was discovered about a year ago, and even the surface product is of the very richest ore. Altogether it has produced about $800,000 worth of the richest ore, besides a large amount of ore which did not pan out quite so well. The average quality was worth from $1,000 to $5,000 a ton, and a sample ton, sent to San Francisco, actually brought $18,000. This fruitful, and apparently inexhaustible mine, is owned by Col. Barney and a Mr. Regan, of Fort Yuma.

The Buena Vista is owned by Col. Thompson, and produces ore worth from $1,000 to $3,000 a ton. It lies in the Cerro-Colorado mining district.

The Silver Queen is near the Silver King, is owned and operated by a stock company, and, while only two months old, promises a continuous yield of the rich ore which has thus far been taken out.

The Cerro Colorado Mine, owned by a mining company which takes its name from that of the mine, is in the same district as the Buena Vista, and about sixty miles south of Tucson, the present Capital of the Territory. It promises well for the future. The company has a twenty-five-stamp mill on the way, and will proceed at once to thoroughly develop its resources.

"Your Sonora is a gold mine—the Yellow Jacket—which is yielding a very pure, rich ore, and on the possession of which its owners are proudly congratulating themselves.

At present shipments of ore are made by teams from the mines to Fort Yuma, and thence by rail to San Francisco. The lack of connections on the east renders it unprofitable, if not impossible, to ship any in that direction.

In response to a question as to the adaptability of the land for

CATTLE-RAISING, GRAZING, ETC.,

Mr. McEnter said that this branch of industry had already given promise of rich returns for the future. The valleys contained some of the best farming and grazing lands to be found anywhere, and the proper development of this industry was only a question of time. The great drawback at present being the lack of adequate facilities for transportation.

"How are the miners paid?" asked the reporter.

"They get $3 a day and their board. But there are enough of them there now. While I don't want to discourage emigration, yet it is only fair to tell the truth and caution the restless and the uneasy against going there unless they have some set purpose in view and some means. It is a good country for prospecting, and we need men of means to go there and open up the country. But people have come there with just enough to land them, have found that there was an excess of the supply over the demand for labor, and have become discouraged and disheartened at the prospect. They reached the mines, found they were just sixty miles from anywhere, without a cent in their pockets, couldn't find anything to do, and the result was that we had to feed them. We have a country where the outlook for mining prospects is unsurpassed; a country of mild, equable climate. Our only drawbacks, and they are comparatively slight, are the inadequate supply of water and timber in some parts of the Territory. Now, what we want is men who have some means, even a little, to come there and prospect. When that is done, when capital comes in and is ready to develop the mines, and when we have better facilities for getting our products to market, then will be time enough for the masses to come in, for then there will be work for them."

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## FARMER HARMS.

A WORM WILL TURN.

*To the Editor of The Tribune.*

CHICAGO, April 26.—Having for the past two years submitted quietly to all sorts of criticisms of the press and the people, yet feeling all the time that it could not be possible that anybody living willfully and designedly intended to persecute and injure me, I have thus far refrained from rushing into print to deny or assert anything; but so much has been said about me lately—my work and my intentions, that for the sake of decency and justice had better be left unsaid—that I consider it high time to say a word of protest regarding the attacks with which my name is coupled. In your issue of this morning a column is devoted to interviews with builders and others, most of them men who were higher bidders by tens of thousands of dollars on the foundation of the Cook County Court-House, to execute which the first plan of the architect was awarded to me. These gentlemen are made, by the genius of the interviewer, to serve as my enemies, as witnesses, as judge and jury, all against me. I ask in all fairness if such is a proper tribunal to pass upon my claims for payment for my work done and performed?

I was the lowest responsible bidder for the foundations upon a plan which was submitted to me to govern my work, and after I had followed that plan as nearly as was for about four months, an entirely new plan was put into my hands, with orders to conform to the last one and begin again, regardless of any contracts or arrangements I had entered into for machinery and materials. So unlike the first plan was the last one that the architect had no hesitation in claiming $96,000 for constructing it on paper, and was actually paid $16,000 for making paper construction. The merest novice in building can see from these simple facts of record that in the very nature of things a change so radical must cause me great anxiety, labor, expense, and delay. I defy Archimedes to so manage and arrange such a work, so radically changed, as to prevent great waste and loss of both labor and material. The architect has frequently in public, since I ceased work, acknowledged that I never refused to follow his instructions. That being a fact, why hold me, who am no architect, nor yet an engineer, responsible for lines and levels which can only be determined by means of an accurate instrument in skilled hands? As well hold a journeyman printer responsible for the moral tone of the article he puts in type at the direction of his employer.

One of the gentlemen interviewed by your reporter states that I did not drive the piles as required by the first specifications. I have no doubt the party intends no untruth, yet, nevertheless, it amounts to a positive false representation. He says the piles were not to be driven, but to penetrate to thirty feet, and afterwards followers to be put on with rings, etc.; but he omits to state that the specifications also provide that whenever a certain resistance was obtained in the driving of a pile, which resistance was determined by the weight of the hammer, and height of the fall, to be sufficient, then the pile or follower, as the case might be, was to be cut off, and driver no further. Now, if the gentleman, when he made up his bid, had not the knowledge, or the skill, or the experience to know, from the nature of the clay in the Court-House Square, that the piles would not require, in fact would not admit, being otherwise driven, but intended to pound down just so many feet of piling, contrary to the letter and spirit of the specifications, it may account for the many thousands of dollars his offer was higher than mine.

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## THE LOUISIANA LOTTERY.

SOMETHING FOR THE AUTHORITIES TO LOOK AFTER.

Posted in conspicuous parts of this city—as, for instance, Robert Law's coal-office—are large handbills setting forth the schemes of the Louisiana State Lottery. To inspire confidence it is stated that two well-known Rebel Generals—Beauregard and Early—are to supervise the drawing. It is doubtful if either of the gentlemen would countenance any such swindle, let alone be present and take part in the drawing. Applications for tickets can be sent to the Chicago agent, care of the Post-Office here, and presumably scores of deluded fools are daily sending their money to this local representative of the swindle.

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## THE COUNTY BUILDING.

The time for the trial of the indicted Commissioners is drawing nigh—the first week in May.

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